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CKINNEY TO BONHAM

e Railroad Question is up Again.

EW YORK PARTIES COMING

ill Look Over the Route Between McKinney and Bonham Next Week.

Some time ago quite a large interest was manifested in electric railroads. Especially McKinney and Blue Ridge citizens held meetings and encouraged the move to procure right-of-way by substantial offers. The road failed to develop but "a campaign of education" was the result. The necessity of a road was apparent and everybody wanted it. There was a lack of proper authority, however, on the part of a certain promoter to keep up the good work. "It is a long lane that has no turn." McKinney may yet procure an electric line running to the northeast to Bonham. Individuals have not been idle especially Mr Yates of Leonard has been active, judging from the letter below just received by Capt J L Greer of this city. The letter reads as follows:

Leonard, Texas, Jan. 20, '04.
Mr. J. L. Greer, McKinney, Tex.
Dear Sir:

I have just received a letter from the New York parties, in regard to the electric railroad from McKinney to Bonham, stating that they will be here next week. As soon as they arrive they will come through the county to McKinney to see about the matter. Now if the people of McKinney want the road they will never have a better time to get it; a good paying road at that. Please see the people, and if they will take the interest in the matter that they should for the benefit of your town and surrounding country, there should be no difficulty in getting a road that will give McKinney new life and prosperity. Several of our prominent citizens have gone to Bonham today on this matter.

Yours truly,
W. W. YATES.

P. S. Let me hear from you about the matter, and perhaps I can let you know the exact day the parties will be in McKinney.

LOSS IS THREE MILLIONS.

Enormous Damage by Fire of Shelby Steel Tube Company.

Columbus, Ohio, Jan. 22.—A special to the Ohio State Journal from Shelby, Ohio, says:

The United States Steel Corporation stock sustained a $3,000,000 loss by fire Wednesday night at the plant of the Shelby Steel Tube Company. The fire started in one of the smaller rooms from a defoctive electric wire and spread to the larger stock rooms, completely destroying all of them.

The product of the entire plant for the past six months was destroyed within an hour, consisting of 800,000 tons, making in all 5,000,000 feet of finished product and valued at $3,000,000.

Best Liniment on Earth.

Henry D. Baldwin, Supt. City Water Works, Shullsburg, Wis., writes: "I have tried many kinds of liniment, but have never received much benefit until I used Ballard's Snow Liniment for rheumatism and pains. I think it the best liniment on earth." 25c, 50c and $100 bottle at Smith Bros. & Co.

ROYAL MULKEY DEAD.

Son of Evangelist Succumbs to Tuberculosis.

It is with peculiar sadness that we announce the death of Dr. Royal Mulkey, only son of Rev. and Mrs Abe Mulkey of Corsicana. In fact, he was their only child, and thus they are left alone. Royal was a fine young man and well equipped for life. His parents had given him a splendid dental course at the Vanderbilt University and he had entered upon a promising career in his profession; but that dread disease, pulmonary trouble, caused him to relinquish it a couple of years ago, and after long illness he passed away at the home of his parents last Wednesday morning. All Texas will heartily sympathize with Brother and Sister Mulkey in this sad bereavement, and also with the beautiful young wife who is left to mourn her loss. But they are not without hope, for their loved one has gone to his sure rest and reward.—Christian Advocate.

FIFTH SUNDAY MEETING

Of the Christian Churches of Collin County.

FOUR PROMINENT WORKERS

Elder A. J Bush, J. C. Mason, Joe H. Douthitt and Jewell Howard to be Here.

Elder A. J. Bush, superintendent of the Juliette Fowler Orphans' Home at Dallas, will attend the Fifth Sunday meeting of the Christian churches of Collin county, to be held at the First Christian church in this city this week. He will preach Saturday at 11 a m.

J. C. Mason, Corresponding Secretary of State Missions, will preach at 7:30 p. m. on Saturday.

Joe H. Douthitt, Sunday School Evangelist, will also attend the meeting and speak in the interest of the Sunday school work.

Jewell Howard of Plano will preach on Friday night on "Old-Time Evangelism."

SCHOOL BOY'S DEATH.

Grover, Son of John Witt, of Rowlett.

A sad death of a school boy occurred at Whitewright Thursday night. Grover Witt, the seventeen year old son of John Witt, who resides five miles west of Allen, was attending Grayson college at Whitewright. About a week ago he was taken sick with measles and a few days later pneumonia set up, which caused his death. He was a splendid boy of excellent habits and his sudden demise is sad indeed. He was faithfully attended by his brother, John Witt, and Tom Scott of this city, Jesse and Will Christie and Ernest Melton of Allen, all fellow students in the school, who accompanied the body home. The remains passed through McKinney on the 7 o'clock train Friday. The funeral took place last Saturday, the interment being made in Rowlett cemetery, Rev R J Fletcher, pastor of Allen and Rowlett Baptist churches conducting the services.

Croup.

The peculiar cough which indicates croup, is usually well known to the mothers of croupy children. No time should be lost in the treatment of it, and for this purpose no medicine has received more universal approval than Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. Do not waste valuable time in experimenting with untried remedies, no matter how highly they may be recommended, but give this medicine as directed and all symptoms of croup will quickly disappear. For sale by City Drug Store.

Sportsman's Restaurant.

Hamburger Lunch counter, short orders and meals, cleanliness, promptness and reasonable rates. Opposite J. P. Dowell's.
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wtf McKinney, Tex.

Doc Turner, whose business is located at 405 Elm street, Dallas, is in the city. He came to be with his family during the sickness of his little girl, who is threatened with pneumonia. Doc is a cheerful friend of McKinney newspapers.

THE DROUTH IS ENDED

Good Fall of Rain Reported From Many Sections of North Texas.

IT COVERED WEST TEXAS

Grain Was Needing Moisture and in Some Parts Stock Water Was Getting Scarce.

Sherman, Tex., Jan. 21.—It began raining in Sherman at an early hour this morning. Phone messages at noon showed that the rain had extended over the entire river belt, both in Texas, Indian Territory and Arkansas, extending as far west as Oklahoma, and later reports indicate that the rain has been general over the entire State. It is considered a blessing for many reasons in this section, where the growing wheat crop had begun to suffer from lack of moisture.

Rhome, Tex., Jan. 22.—The long drouth, which has been prevailing since September, was thoroughly broken Wednesday night and yesterday by a heavy downpour of rain which commenced at 12:30 a. m. and continued until 1 p. m. without intermission.

The fall amounted to at least one inch, and came just in time to save the wheat crop. The rain was accompanied by considerable wind and hail.

Albany, Tex., Jan. 21.—The finest rain for months fell here last night. The weather gauge of Judge N L Bartholomew gives three-quarters of an inch in Albany, and reports from all sections of the county show that it was much heavier.

Reports from all parts of the State are to the effect that good rains fell, and in many places sleet and snow.

Simple Colds.

Cease to be simple, if at all prolonged. The safest way is to put them aside at the very beginning. Ballard's Horehound Syrup stops a cold and removes the cause of colds 25c, 50c and $100 bottle at Smith Bros. & Co.

Pecans Wanted.

Highest market price paid, cash for pecans. Call on us.
wtf Hill & Webb McKinney.

UNCLE JAKE CHAMBERLAIN

An Aged Negro, Still Living Near McKinney.

REPUTED TO BE 105 YEARS OLD

Born in Granger County, Tennessee, July 10, 1798—Lived in Three Centuries.

Without doubt, the oldest living resident of Collin county is "Uncle" Jake Chamberlain, a typical old-time Southern darkey, whose humble cabin stands about one and a half miles southeast of McKinney. Uncle Jake claims to have first seen light of day July 10th, 1798—more than 105 years ago. His venerable appearance, gray locks and bent form bear out this claim of over a century's existence. Indeed, some of the county's oldest citizens, among them Manse and Hy Wilmeth, D. L. McKinney and Jesse Shain, are positive that he has reached the century mark. He was an old negro, familiarly known as "Uncle" Jake, in their earliest boyhood days. Though bent by the weight of many years, his memory is remarkably clear, his eyesight very good and all his physical faculties are retained to a surprising degree. He was born in slavery on Holston river, in Granger county, Tennessee, three miles below the Horse Shoe Bend. He was taken by his master, Jeremiah Chamberlain, to Lexington, Mo., and sold to Joseph Fisher. The latter brought him to Texas, where the slave's ownership passed to Joe Dixon, who later sold him to Elder J B Wilmeth, father of Manse and Hy Wilmeth, of near McKinney, for the sum of $400. Uncle Jake married five times; two of his wives died and two were separated from him in the course of events incident to slavery times. He is the father of numerous children. He married his last wife, who still resides with him, in the early fifties; both belonged to Elder J. B. Wilmeth, whose son, Elder J. R. Wilmeth, now of Mills county, Texas, officiated. For seventy-five years Uncle Jake was a Baptist preacher, doing local ministerial work among the members of his race. He never had but one severe spell of illness, and that after being brought to Texas. Dr. Smith, father of H. Q. and C. W. Smith, the druggists, attended him. Uncle Jake owns a little place of about 30 acres, upon which he lives. When the Pioneer Magazine representative and photographer called at his cabin, they found him at the wood pile at work. Uncle Jake's old black face never fails to beam a welcome, more cordial and eloquent than words can convey, to any white friend or stranger who may pause at his humble cabin door for a word of cheer to its occupant, who possesses the distinction of having lived in all three of the eighteenth, nineteenth and twentieth centuries.

Cabin of Uncle Jake, one and half miles southeast of McKinney on Millwood road.

Uncle Jake enjoying pipe and rest in front of cabin.

TO ENFORCE SUNDAY LAW

Grand Jury Making a Thorough Investigation.

FOURTEEN BILLS RETURNED

By That Body Saturday—Five for Felony and Nine for Misdemeanors.

The grand jury returned fourteen bills of indictment, five for felony and nine for misdemeanors at noon Saturday and adjourned until Monday.

The Grand Jury is making a thorough investigation of Sunday law violations. They have had summoned before them all parties in McKinney who sell cigars, tobaccos, or anything that is prohibited by law from being sold on Sunday, and officers over the entire county have been notified to enforce the law strictly hereafter. Grocery men are allowed to sell provisions and market men meat up to 9 o'clock Sunday mornings. Drugs can be sold any hour during the day, but the sale of cold drinks is prohibited. Ice cream and milk can be sold. All grocerymen, druggists and proprietors of hotels, restaurants and barber shops in McKinney have expressed themselves that in the future the law will be strictly complied with.

GEN. GORDON'S FAMILY.

They are Grateful for Sympathy Over Recent Death.

Atlanta, Ga., Jan. 23.—A statement has been issued by the family of the late Gen. John B. Gordon, expressing gratefulness for the many telegrams received during the illness of Gen. Gordon and after his death.

Owing to the large number of messages received it is impossible for them all to be acknowledged, and the family requests that their appreciation be made known through the press. Grateful acknowledgment is made known to all posts of United Confederate Veterans and all Confederate organizations, to individuals, and all who tendered their expressions of sympathy.

If Unwell,

Try a 50c bottle of HERBINE, notice the improvement speedily effected in your Appetite, Energy, Strength and Vigor. Watch how it brightens the spirits, gives freedom from Indigestion and Debility!

Isaac Story, Ava, Mo., writes, Sept. 10th, 1900, "I was in bad health, I had stomach trouble for 12 months, also dumb chills. Dr. J W Morey prescribed HERBINE, it cured me in two weeks. I cannot recommend it too highly, it will do all you claim for it." Sold by Smith Bros & Co.

A J Lane, storekeeper for the Katy, received a telegram this morning stating his wife was dangerously sick at her mother's home in Knoxville, Tenn. Mrs Lane and children went to Knoxville a few weeks ago to visit and Mr Lane received a letter yesterday written the 15th stating she and the children were in fine health, hence the shock to Mr Lane, the news coming as it did under these circumstances. He will leave today on the first train.—Greenville Banner.

If you want to sell your land see Doggett & Clifton. d&w tf

FIFTH DISTRICT BANKERS

Annual Meeting Was Held in Dallas Thursday.

AGRICULTURE AND FINANCE

There is No Distinction Between These Two Great Interests of the World.

The meeting of the Fifth District Bankers' Association held in Dallas Thursday, was largely attended by bankers from all over Northern Texas and from other parts of the State.

Besides discussing banking interest many addresses were made and papers read pertaining to agricultural interests.

Judge O. E. Dunlap of Waxahachie spoke upon "Farming and Financial Interests."

"There is no distinction between the agricultural and the financial interests," he said. "When one fails the other fails." Here Judge Dunlap grew reminiscent concerning his early residence in Texas, telling how he located a few miles north of the present city of Dallas. In those days, he said, the staple products of the country were wheat and rye; since then the country had developed largely the growing of cotton and corn, besides those first mentioned. The future of Dallas county and Texas he considered to be almost inconceivably bright.

"With the canal, and cotton at 14c." he continued, "the South is in clover. If we can only shove aside the politicians and have the Panama canal, it will greatly aid us in our material prosperity."

A letter commenting upon the prosperity of the State, as brought about by the high price of cotton, and touching upon the effects of the boll wevil was read from W. L. Hefley of Cameron. In conclusion Mr. Hefley advised the farmers to diversify, plant the best and earliest maturing seed, exercise industry and watchfulness.

Among the list of the bankers who made impromptu talks at the dinner given at the Oriental Hotel we note the name of J. L. White of McKinney. W. M. Windom, cashier of the Farmers and Merchants National Bank, Farmersville, was re-elected secretary of the association. Those who attended from McKinney are Jesse Shain, J. L. White, T. T. Emerson, J. L. Lovejoy, and H. S. Foote.

CHILD CRUSHED TO DEATH.

Two-Year-Old Baby is Caught Under Windmill Tank.

Denton, Tex., Jan. 22.—The 5-year-old child of Barney Millican, living near Greenwood, in Wise county, was crushed to death yesterday, according to news received this afternoon. A tank and windmill the child's father was moving was let down and the child got underneath, death being instantaneous.

OLDEST MAN IN THE WORLD.

Stephen Joice, Colored, of Waco, is 148 Years of Age—Secured Poll Tax Exemption.

Waco, Tex., Jan. 21.—Tax Collector W L Tucker issued a certificate of exemption yesterday in favor of Stephen Joice, a colored man, whose age was put down at 148 years, according to which he is the oldest man in the world. Uncle Stephen resides in East Waco. He came to Texas forty years ago and for thirty-seven years he has lived in this city. He feels sure that he is right in stating that he was born in 1756, in the Province, now State, of Louisiana, then part of the Spanish dominions. He is stooped, but active and applied in person for his certificate, telling the collector that he took interest in politics and desired to cast his ballot for his favorite candidates.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS.

For County Treasurer.
Joe B. Rogers.
W. N. Osburn.

For State Senator,
J. N. Grisham.

No Saloon Ads in This Paper.

A liquor dealer of Dallas gave us a call Saturday to offer us some advertising of his business. We promptly declined the offer. He counseled with us to the effect that we were standing in our own light. He further called attention to the enormous revenue that will be lost to local, state and national government if prohibition spreads over the entire land. He said that hundreds of thousands of men would be thrown out of employment—bar tenders, brewery hands, makers of bottles and kegs. In his enthusiasm he neglected to reason that by the abolition of the American saloons millions of dollars of court costs would be saved. He forgets that the number of men required to police the whiskey traffic into partial obedience to law would make a good sized standing army to protect us from foreign invasion. He forgets that the infamous traffic degenerates and makes incapable hundreds of thousands of people—reducing them from high standard, tax paying citizenship to a condition of absolute poverty, many of whom become wards of the state. The bottle and keg makers might find employment manufacturing dinner pails and fruit jars, while others could seek the mine, wood and field and receive the crown of honest toil. A business that destroys manhood, wrecks the home and weakens the state should be outlawed by every government in the scope of civilization. Our adopted policy of refusing liquor ads may cause a temporary loss of approximately fifty to seventy-five dollars per month, but we believe the conscience of not having aided, either directly or indirectly, the violation of a law, or not having caused a human being to become a victim to strong drink, is sufficient recompense for what some are pleased to term a "fanatical" course.

Mrs. Florence Maybrick, an American woman who some years ago was tried and convicted in England on a charge of murdering her husband, and the death sentence commuted to life imprisonment on account of a petition signed by 500,000 persons, may soon be released from prison. Great efforts have been made for her pardon. The center of all the efforts have been among American women, who have never believed that Mrs. Maybrick was guilty of the crime charged against her.

The coroner's jury which for three weeks has been listening to evidence in regard to the Iroquois theater fire in Chicago, has decided that Mayor Carter Harrison is partially responsible for the accident, as he has shown a lamentable lack of force, and for his efforts to escape responsibility.

The United States now leads the list of exporting nations of the world. TheUnited Kingdom of Great Britain is second and Germany third.

A terrible mine explosion occurred at Cheswick near Pittsburg, Pa., Monday morning and nearly two hundred men were killed.

Why not pay your poll taxes and be able to vote in the coming elections this year.

Only three more days in which to pay your poll taxes.

What's in a Name?

Everything is in the name when it comes to Witch Hazel Salve. E. C. DeWitt & Co., of Chicago discovered some years ago how to make a salve from Witch Hazel that is a specific for Piles. For blind, bleeding, itching and protruding Piles, eczema, cuts, burns, bruises and all skin diseases DeWitt's Salve has no equal. This has given rise to numerous worthless counterfeits. Ask for DeWitt's—the genuine. Sold by City Drug Store.

COURT NEWS.

Last evening a special venire of sixty men was ordered to be summoned from which to select a jury to try the case of the State vs Nannie Johnson (colored) charged with murdering Della Wright, another negro woman at Farmersville on Dec. 25. She was indicted by the grand jury and the case has been set for Feb 22.

The grand jury also indicted H Brock on a charge of horsetheft, and he entered into a recognizance last evening in the sum of $500 and was released.

BRENNAN TAKEN TO KANSAS.

J T Hardy, sheriff of Kiowa county, Kansas, who came with requisition papers from the Governor of his State, for C F Brennan who has been in jail here for several months on a charge of burglarizing the store of the Collin County Implement Company at Farmersville, left last evening with the prisoner. The grand jury now in session returned a bill against Brennan charging him with a misdemeanor, and as the charge against him in Kansas is for a higher crime, that of bank robbery, the authorities here turned him over to the officers of that State. The grand jury did not find a bill against Brennan's wife who was charged as being an accomplice in the burglary, and was out under bond

For State Senator.

We take pleasure in placing before our readers the name of J. N Grisham as a candidate for State Senator to represent the people of Collin, Hunt and Rains counties, subject to the action of the democratic party. Mr. Grisham is at present a member of the lower house. His record as a member of the legislature is marked with able service. Though young he forged to the front ranks in leadership. A deep thinker and eloquent in expression he commanded state wide attention. He opposed the appripriation bill because as he says it carried nearly a million dollars more than the reserve resources of the state justified. He favored an increased appropriation for Confederate home and pensions. He opposed the Willacy bill. He doesn't believe that under the constitution any change can be made in the local option election law. In order to comply if possible with the platform demand for an election law and to prevent the House from debarring itself from consideration of any measure along that line he voted to pass Terrell election bill to Senate, but upon its returning without improvement opposed the final passage of said bill. Few young men have made such rapid strides in public favor since their debut than has Mr. Grisham. In personality he is modest—boasts of no superiority, is not blind to past mistakes but aspires to promotion by honest endeavor and untiring devotion to public trust. The splendid endorsement of his home people and his faithful service to them makes him a formidable opponent in the race he enters.

Cured After Suffering 10 Years.

H. F. Hare, Supt. Miami Cycle & Mfg. Co., Middletown, O., suffered for ten years with dyspepsia. He spent hundreds of dollars for medicine and with doctors without receiving any permanent benefit. He says, "One night while feeling exceptionally bad, I was about to throw down the evening paper when I saw an item in the paper regarding the merits of Kodol Dyspepsia Cure. I concluded to try it and while I had no faith in it I felt better after the second dose. After using two bottles I am stronger and better than I have been in years, and I recommend Kodol Dyspepsia Cure to my friends and acquaintances suffering from stomach trouble." Sold by City Drug Store.

McKinney Market Report

Cotton bolls	1.00 to 1.50
Lint cotton	13 to 14½c
Cotton in seed	3.00 to 4 25
Cotton seed	$16.00
Wheat	84 to 87c
Oats per bushel	46 1-2c
Corn	45 to 50c
Bran	per 100 lbs $1.05
Flour	$2.15 to 2.50
Meal	per bu. 60c
Eggs per doz	18c
Cattle	$1.50 to 2.15
Hogs	$4 to 4.50
Mutton Sheep	2.00 to 3.50
Chickens	$2.50 to 2.75
Butter per pound	15 to 20c
Onions per lb.	3c
Hay per ton	$8 to $10
Alfalfa	$9 to $11
Lard per pound	11½ to 12½
Bacon per pound	10 to 13c

MONDAY.

Miss Sallie Walker, who has been in the city visiting her brother, G J S Walker, has gone to Dallas to visit relatives, after which she will return to her home at Bowie.

Tom Scott returned to Whitewright this morning where he attends Grayson college. He came over to be present at the funeral of his schoolmate, Grover Witt, who died at Whitewright. and was buried at Rowlett cemetery Saturday.

Miss Louise Atkinson, who teaches near Lavon, returned to that place yesterday after a brief visit home.

Luther Holmes and bride of Little Rock, Ark., are in the city visiting Mr. Holmes uncle, Mate Barnett and family.

Misses Lillie Daughetee and Estelle Lansdale returned to Princetog yesterday, after spending Saturday and Sunday at home.

Splendid improvements are being made on the interior of Stephens & Hughes hardware and furniture store.

Mrs T J Smith left yesterday for Franklin, Robertson county.

J D Stiff, manager of the J D Stiff Dry Goods Co's store, left this morning for New York where he will remain several weeks buying stock for his firm.

F M Neeley of Vineland came in Saturday evening and presented the ticket, No 1221, which secured the second gold watch in the holiday offer of the City Drug Store.

TUESDAY.

Dr R L Davis of Princeton was in town today.

Milton Whisenant of Allen is in the city today.

Mrs M E Brown returned to her home at Valdasta this morning after visiting Chas Scott and family of this place.

Mrs Will Brown of Melissa is in the city the guest of relatives.

George M Wilson has purchased three acres of land adjoining his home place east of the railroad, from F M Snow who recently bought the Judge Andrews property.

Mrs H L Tucker of Omaha, Neb., and Mrs S M Witt of Moody, Texas, are here attending the bedside of their father, W M Bagley, who remains very sick with pneumonia.

W M Brakebill of Prosper, although his subscription to The Democrat was already paid six months ahead, called and pushed his date forward to July, 1905. He takes The Dallas News and Kansas City Star at our clubbing rate.

Magnolia Camp W. O. W. had a great time last night. Two candidates were instructed in the mysteries of the first degree, and one in the second, and so "hot" was the time within the Forest, that they did not know that a raging blizzard was blowing without. The Lucas degree team composed of T G White, Murrel Kirby, Bet Cook, Luther Snider, Lee Cook, Jim Snider, Robt. Bowmon, Jim Spurgin and Geo. Kerr, conferred the degree work, and it was well done.

Toile du Nord and A. F. C. Ginghams 9 cts. yard. Just received at The Fair, next door J. P. Dowell's, S. T. Hammond, Propr. tfd&w

BACK FROM INAUGURAL

McKinney Pastor Returns From Jackson, Mississippi.

GUEST OF NEW GOVERNOR

Rode With Him to Take Oath of Office and Offered the Invocation.

Rev. S L. Rieves and wife have returned from a visit to their old home in Mississippi. Rev. Rieves attended the inauguration of his friend, Maj. J. K. Vardaman, as governor of the state of Mississippi which took place on the 19th inst. The inaugural ceremonies took place in the presence of a joint session of the senate and house and a great throng of spectators. The New Orleans Picayune giving the order of the procession states that

"And bringing up the procession came the carriage carrying Major James K. Vardaman, Rev. S. L. Rieves, Dr. B. L. Ward, of Winona, and Chief Justice Whitfield.

"After a rendition of a selection by the orchestra, the Rev. S. L. Rieves of Texas, and former pastor of the Presbyterian church at Greenwood and a personal friend of Major Vardaman, offered prayer. The man of God prayed fervently, eloquently and earnestly for the blessing of divine providence to fall on the new executive, and for His guidance in all matters of state. At the close of the prayer Hon. E. N. Thomas, speaker of the House. arose and introduced Major Vardaman."

Gov. Vardaman is a native Texan, having been born in Jackson county, this state, July 26, 1861. He is a lawyer and newspaper man, pure statesman, patriot, citizen and magnetic orator. Rev. Rieves is his former pastor as shown above, enjoys the closest friendship and intimacy of the new governor of that great state.

Wanted—To sell a piano as good as new, cost $450, will take $125 cash or $150 in monthly payments, $25 down and $10 per month. If you want the biggest bargain ever offered see me at once.—N. R. Stone, McKinney Business College.

PROGRAM IS ARRANGED

For the Baptist Fifth Sunday Meeting.

WITH STONY POINT CHURCH

Begining Thursday Night Jan. 28, and Continuing Until Sunday Night.

The following program has been arranged for the Fifth Sunday Meeting of the Collin County Baptist Association, to be held with Stony Point Baptist church, beginning Thursday night before the Fifth Sunday in January 1904.

THURSDAY.

1. 7 p. m. Introductory sermon by Rev. H. N. G. Bentley. Walter Hollum, alternate.

FRIDAY.

1. 10 a. m. Church Fellowship—Revs. B. A. Hall, Oscar Orr, G. O. Key.

2. 11 a. m. Sermon—Dr. A. J. Fawcett.

3. 2:30 p m. The duties of a pastor to his church—T A Parris, J M Gibson, M Yarbrough, A J Scribner, L Cameron, Dol Braswell.

4. The duties of the deacon—Revs J W Crowder, M T Tucker, T L Fulbright.

5 7 p m. Co-operation in Missions—Dr E E King, H N G Bentley.

SATURDAY.

1. 9:30 a m. How to be a successful Pastor.—Rev W H Dunn.

2. 10 a m. Our obligations to attend the services of the Church—Revs R J Fletcher, A S Pinson, M I Davis, Euclid Dunn.

11 a m. Our County Work.—Revs J A Taylor and M F Wheeler.

2:30 p m. What Should Christians read—John A Held, Mack Cook, J B Wilbanks.

3:30 p m. How may we be more Spiritual in Heart and Life—G O Key.

4. 7 p m. Sermon—J W Crowder, alternate, M F Tucker.

SUNDAY.

1. 10 a m. Sunday School Work—Tom Shelton, W T Newsom, J B Snider.

2. 11 a m. Sermon—Rev G O Key.

3. 3 p m. The B Y P U Work—John A Held, B A Hall, Walter Hollum.

G. B. Airhart,
Pastor.

The January Pioneer Magazine

Is Just From the Press.

1—Life of Alfred Chandler, Collin County Pioneer.
2—Bird's Eye View of McKinney, taken for Pioneer Magazine.
3—Court House, McKinney, Tex.
4—Cotton Wharf Scene, McKinney, Tex.
5—Oneal & Co., Dry Goods Store.
6—Life of Hogan Witt, Collin Co. Pioneer.
7—Residence of Geo. M. Oneal, McKinney, Tex.
8—Rev. W. H. Clagett and Collin County Oats of 1903.

Remaining pages are replete with interesting sketches, short stories, poems, humor, pathos, scenes from country life, domestic, science, etc. It breathes the spirit of progress, in literature, art, science and the home.

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A NEW YEAR

We wish to thank those who have helped to make our last year's business satisfactory. We acknowledge appreciation and extend to our patrons the sincerest wish that the coming year may be one of happiness and prosperity.

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SMITH BROS. & CO.

Prescription Druggists. McKinney.

A PIONEER'S VISIT.

D. L. Fields of Near Anna Mal the Editors Glad.

D. L. Fields of Route 2, Ann a pioneer of Collin county, call to say he cannot do without T Democrat and pushed his da one year in advance. Mr. Fiel came to Collin county in 18 We secured an interview fro him regarding his recollection pioneer times which we will pu lish later in the Pioneer Mag zine with his picture. Our pi neer articles and illustrations a causing great interest. Tho who are not subscribers shou subscribe at once. The Janua number just out has a pictu and write-up of Uncle Hog Witt and several other local fe tures. Jim Fields, a nephew Mr. Fields, accompanied him our office.

A LOVING DUTY.

Williams Cemetery Associatio To Meet Feb. 5.

The Williams Cemetery Asso ciation will hold its annual busi ness meeting, lasting all day Friday, Feb. 5, at the graveyard 4 miles west of McKinney. Rev E. E. King will be present an make an address. The director are E. W. Kirkpatrick, Dav Williams, Josh Herndon an John Horn. They invite every body to attend and take thei dinners. Needed work around the cemetery will be done by loving hands of relatives and friends of those lying buried there. Graves of those who have no relatives here now to look after them, will be given special attention.

Marriage License.

J C Lawson and Miss Maggie Graves.

A C Crenshaw and Miss Mattie K Royster.

J J Smith and Miss Cora Maynard.

A L Lewis and Mrs Nannie Donihoo.

Payton Westmoreland and Miss Emma Yeager.

Herndon H Barlow and Miss Pearl Westmoreland.

J R Rutherford and Miss Lillie Wright.

Edgar Oneal and Miss Pearl Howell.

Walter Rogers and Miss Mary Fox.

Wilburn Douglass Honaker and Miss Ida Marie Philpot.

BARN BURNED.

John Martin Loses Barn, Feed and Harness at Graham, Tex.

J E Wiley is in receipt of a letter from John Martin, formerly of Ardath, stating that he had just suffered the loss of his barn, feed and harness by fire at Graham, Young county. The letter was dated the 25th. Mr Martin is an old citizen of this county who just moved from 6 miles east of McKinney last month to his Young county ranch.

Dev. Carlisle P. B. Martin, L. L. D.

Waverly, Texas, writes: "Of a morning, when first rising, I often find troublesome collection of phlegm, which produces a cold and is very hard to dislodge; but a small quanity of Ballard's Horehound Syrup will at once dislodge it, and the trouble is over. I know of no medicine that is equal to it, and it is so pleasant to take. I can most cordially recommend it to all persons needing a medicine for throat or lung troubles." Price 25c, 50c, $1.00 bottle at Smith Bros. & Co.

Wheat Improved.

Our correspondents all announce that farmers throughout the county are elated over the recent rain and snow. They report wheat and oats to be much improved as a result.

At Rhea Mills.

County Missionary M F Wheeler preached Saturday, Saturday night and Sunday at Rhea Mills. He had fine congregations, and one addition to the church at the night service.

Upon petition of the citizens of Frisco, the County Judge today ordered an election to be held on February 13, for the purpose of determining whether or not the town shall be incorporated for free school purposes only as an independent school district.

FRED CHRISTIAN DEAD.

Eighteen Year Old Son of John W. Chistian.

Fred M. Christian, son of Mr. and Mrs John W. Christian who reside one and a half miles north east of Lucas died last Tuesday at 6:10 o'clock, after a little more than two weeks illness, from peritonitis. The young man was about eighteen years of age, being born May 10, 1884. He was possessed of a splendid disposition and was highly estemed among his schoolmates and friends. He leaves two brothers, G. W. Christian residing near Lucas, and E. A. Christian of Denison, and one sister, Mrs. R. H. Kerr of Lucas. He is a grand-son of Wms. Warden of this city, his mother being Mr. Warden's daughter. He is also a nephew of Mrs. B. E. Throckmorton of this city.

The funeral took place Wednesday at 10 o'clock. The interment to be made in Forest Grove cemetery.

Extra Special

Clothing at half prices.
Investigate these values.

Men's 18 00 and 20.00 suits for..... 10 00

Men's 12.50 and 15.00 suits for..... 7.50

Men's 10,00 suits 'at.....6 50

Men's 7.50 and 8.50 suits at..... 5 00

Men's 5.00 suits at..... 3 50

All youths and boys clothing at actual New York cost.

Hats

500 men's 2 00 and 2 50 hats, good styles and colors, all sizes, hats on front table, choice..... 1 50

Underwear

Men's 1.00 wool undershirts at..... 50c

Men's 50c undershirts and drawers at..... 35c

Men's 35c underwear at.....25c

Shirts

20 dozen men's 50c shirts at..35c
25 dozen men's 1.00 shirts at..75c

Don't Miss This Sale!

On Friday Morning, January 29, at 8 O'clock.

We start a real genuine Clean Sweep Sale. We positively will not carry over these goods, therefore we make these prices. These prices will be good ...

Until Saturday Night, February 6, Only

Hosiery

Men's and ladies black and tan 10c hose at.....7 1-2c

Men's and ladies 15c hose 10c

Ladies 25 and 35c hose at 20c

Boys and Misses 25c hose at.....20c

Men's 25c hose at.....20c

Underwear

Ladies and Misses 35c union suits at..... 20c

Ladies 25c vests at.....20c

$500.00 worth of ladies muslin underwear will be sold during this sale at actual New York cost.

Ladies Skirts

All our 8 00 and 10.00 skirts choice..... 5 00

Choice of our 5.00 and 6.00 skirts at..... 3 85

Entire line 3 50 and 4.00 skirts at..... 2 45

Ladies black mercerized petticoats worth 2.00 at.....1 25

All table linen at actual New York Cost.

All towels at actual New York cost.

All Misses Jackets at actual New York cost.

All ladies jackets at half price.

All ladies trimmed hats at half price.

Men's 15c collars, all styles at 10c

Shoes

150 pair ladies 2 00 button shoes at..... 1 00

All ladies 1.50 shoes at 1 25

All ladies 1.75 shoes at 1 40

All ladies 2.50 shoes at.....2 00

All ladies 3.00 shoes at.....2 45

All ladies 3.50 shoes at.....2 70

All Misses 1.50 shoes at.....1 25

All Misses 1.75 shoes at.....1 35

Boys 1.75 shoe at.....1 40

Boys 2.00 shoe at.....1 50

Men's 1.25 shoe at.....1 00

Men's 1.50 shoe at.....1 25

Boys boots, all sizes.....50c

All King Quality 3.50 shoes at.. 2 75

No Goods Charged at these Prices.

ONEAL & CO

McKINNEY, TEXAS.

No Goods Charged at these Prices

Extra Special

One case, 100 pieces, of India Linon just recived and goes on sale as follows:

8 1-3c India Linon at..... 5c
10c " " at.....6 1-2
12 1-2c " " at.....7 1-2
15c " " at 11c
20c " " at 15c
25c " " at.....19c

Dry Goods

25c pieces of 15c Flannellette at.....7 1-2c

8 pieces of 10c outing at.....7 1-2c

25 pieces of Toil de Noid gingham at.....10c

20 pieces of 10c percale at.....7 1-2c

25c red wool flannel at.....17 1-2c

35c red wool flannel at..... 25c

40c red wool flannel at..... 30c

20 pieces of hope bleached domestic at.....7 1-2c

10c colored cotton flannel at.....7 1-2c

Shetland Floss, all colors, at.....7 1-2c

FRISCO BAPTIST CHURCH

Will Be $2,000 House of Worship. Town Growing.

STORES MOVED IN AND BUILT

Much Cotton in Bolls Being Received From Denton County By West Collin Town.

Frisco, Tex., Jan. 25.

You thought, alack, I'd ne'r get get back,
Had fallen 'way from grace,
But here I am with wind to jam
In the old time Frisco space.

Ye editors swear and tear their hair,
The "devil" grins at them,
The typos smile and set the while
At 40 cents per M.

I'll have to get my whistle wet
To please the "devil's" whim,
So get your "stick" while I close this quick
And dedicate to him.

Since last I wrote Frisco has been on a boom—5 new store buildings erected and two moved from Lebanon; 10 residences built and 9 moved from Foncine, Lebanon and Old Erudia.

Frisco is to have another big grain elevator.

The Baptists are erecting a $2000 church on East Main street.

F J Campbell is remodeling his handsome residence.

Drs Rogers and Gibson have moved their office into the Carter building.

Robt Conder's infant child died Sunday night of pneumonia.

Mrs O L Hamilton and daughter, Freda, are visiting in Verona and Wichita Falls.

Homer Gee spent Saturday in Pilot Point.

W M Erwin and family visited Rev and Mrs Wm Allen last week.

W B Staley has bought two residence lots.

Judge Furman attended the North Texas Bankers' Association in Dallas last week.

'Bout awl got married 'ceptin' me. That comes of writin' ever body else in th' nooze papur 'ceptin' the aforesaid writer. But az this iz leap year me an' "On the Wing" iz a goin' ter get us one o' them "left hind feet ov a grave yard rabbit."

Lentz Sanders is moving to Abilene.

John Hill and wife of Hill county visited their daughter, Mrs J A Griffin last week.

Over 100 loads of cotton bolls have been hauled here from Denton, Lewisville and other points.

Miss Lula Allen of Campbellville, Ky., niece of Wm Allen, is visiting here.

D K Hays and son, Hunter, are visiting home folks in Tennessee.

Z T Acker has just returned from a visit to his old home in Alabama.

Our school is crowded and three teachers are kept busy.

Misses Mollie and Nellie Street of Denton visited in Frisco one day last week.

Farmersville.

Times.

J O McBride and Josh Jean and others from near town were business visitors to the county seat Thursday.

T E Ball came down from Pecan Gap where he stays most of the time. He tells us he has over 75 cars of bois d'arc at that place.

W H Kimzey and other heirs have sold old Kimzey homestead west of town to J E Bunkley. The farm consists of 89 acres. Consideration $3000.

R E Carpenter, one of McKinney's enterprising business men, and manager of the Collin County Implement Co., was here Sunday, the guest of H N Blakemore.

T E Wells was here from Sterrett, I T, early in the week to visit his father, J B Wells, south of town. Mr Wells is a deputy U S marshal. He has been away from here some four years. Mrs Ora Wells has also been visiting here from Utica, I T, with J B Wells.

Joshua Gotcher was 75 years old the 12th of January. He is one of the few living who were first to settle at this place. He and his brother, Joe, and Uncle John Hendrix and Hugh Woody probably are all that remain of those who first settled here. However, there are others who are as old here, but they came much later. On the 28th of this month Henry Hughes will be 80 years old. He has lived here only a few years.

J D Kemp has sold a 30-acre farm to W T Driggers for $1300. The property is near Fayburg. It will be remember that Mr Driggers sold this farm last year to Mr Kemp and moved to the Territory where he bought property. He has sold there and has returned to his first love, East Collin.

FONCINE.

Foncine, Jan 25.—Our farmers are well pleased with the recent rain and snow.

Wheat is looking much better and the land is in fine condition for planting crops.

Kid Quisenberry who spent two weeks visiting in West Texas, has returned.

Sam Edmonds' wife arrived last week from Alabama.

Miss Mamie Barnes of McKinney was visiting Miss Carrie McKinney last week.

Joe Taylor of Foncine spent last week in St Louis.

Murry Bewley is on the sick list this week.

John Bewley has been looking pleasant for the past week. He is the proud father of a baby girl.

William Allen who has been in bed with a case of typhoid fever for the past three weeks, is able to sit up some.

John McKinney has been on the sick list for the past two weeks.

Sam Fox of McKinney came out to his farm last week.

Mrs Walter Cameron of Altoga was visiting in our community last week.

Rev R C Horn of Vineland will preach at Foncine the first Sunday night in February.

Our Sunday school at Foncine is progressing nicely.

Improvements to Home.

B E Caskey has had splendid improvements added to his pretty cottage home on South Tennessee street. A stairway has been put in, and a room finished upstairs. E L Kerr, George Hughes, and V M Keen did the carpenters work and L W Mayhew the paper hanging and painting.

PIONEER IS GONE.

Sketch of the Late Johnston Dysart of Collin County.

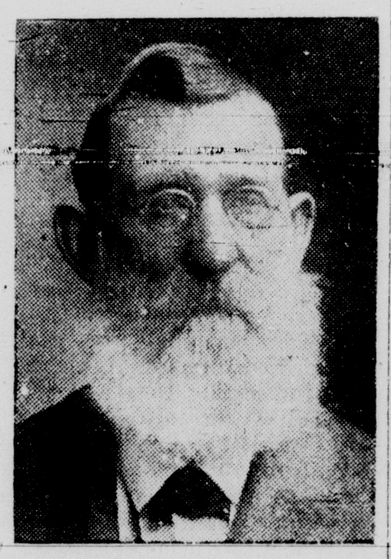
Johnston Dysart, one of the oldest settlers of Collin county, died at his home two and a half miles west of Anna, on Jan. 16, after an illness of forty-six days, the beginning of which was caused by injuries received in a runaway in McKinney on Nov. 30, 1903, and later a complication of diseases setting up.

Johnston Dysart, one of the wealthiest farmers in Texas, was born in Rock Castle county, Kentucky, Dec. 19, 1826. When 12 years of age he was taken by his parents to Missouri, in which state he resided sixteen years. In 1849 he made his first trip to California with the goldseekers, which was followed by two other trips, occupying four years of his time.

During the Kansas war he served under Col. Richardson of St. Joseph, Mo., and took part in the battle of Lecompton and one or two others. After the Kansas war he came to Texas and enlisted in the Confederate army in 1861 in the Sixth Texas Cavalry as First Lieutenant under Col. Ross, and served in Arkansas, Tennessee and Mississippi. He resigned his commission, however, returning home, and assisted in raising another regiment, with which he went to Louisiana, serving as quartermaster, but about two months before the close of the war he was taken sick and discharged.

On Feb. 16, 1853, he was married to Miss Mary E. Simmons, daughter of Humphrey Simmons of Kentucky, who was representative from Bullitt county in the state legislature.

Thirteen children were born to Mr. and Mrs. Dysart, ten of whom survive him. At the close



Johnston Dysart.

of the war Mr. Dysart found himself deprived of all property, excepting one team. With this he went to work and for a long time followed teaming as a vocation, and then bought a farm on credit. As he got together $25 he paid that amount on account, and so on, until he had cleared his land of all indebtedness. He continued to thrive and at his death owned his home farm of 2,000 acres and two others of 500 and 600, and was altogether prosperous.

Mr. Dysart was a Free Mason and a member of the Christian church, of strong religious tendencies and quite prominent in church work. He was a fair type of the first settlers, having an open, frank and honest nature, generous and pleasing ways, lived well and believed in letting others live. He had plenty and kept even with the world, but was not eaten up with the lust of Mammon, and therefore avoided that which in others is an unseeming scramble for wealth. He was a man of remarkably good common sense.

He had much experience on the frontier and added largely to his store of knowledge by observation. He led an active life up to the day of his injury, and was thoroughly honest and generous to a fault. Few men did more toward the early settlement of Texas than he. He was the common friend and general adviser of all in quest of homes, and his house was always open to friends and strangers alike.

In his death Texas has lost one of her noblest sons and Collin county a good citizen.

1904 Groceries!

Greeting is extended all our many customers for their liberal trade during 1903. On the threshold of 1904, we wish to announce that we may still be found at the same old stand where we hope to meet all old and many new customers during the present year. We have the Groceries you need. We also carry a fine line of the best make Wagons. See them before you buy. Respectfully,

Goostree Bros.

East Louisiana St. McKinney, Texas.

Catarrh

Is a discharge from the mucous membrane of the nose, throat, stomach, bowels etc., when kept in a state of inflammation by an impure condition of the blood and a want of tone in the system.

Soothe the inflamed membrane, strengthen the weakened system, and the discharge will stop—to do this purify the blood.

"I was troubled with catarrh for years and tried various remedies but found nothing that would cure me. I then resolved to try Hood's Sarsaparilla and took four bottles which entirely cured me. I have never been troubled with catarrh since. As a blood purifier I can find nothing else equal to Hood's Sarsaparilla." WILLIAM SHERMAN, 1030 6th St., Milwaukee, Wis.

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Cures catarrh radically and permanently—removes its cause and overcomes all its effects.

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Hearst for the Canal.

Democrats throughout the south cannot fail to appreciate the tone of the Hearst newspapers on the isthmian canal question, no matter from what standpoint we view the candidacy of Mr. Hearst. The Heart papers are all for the canal, and are advocating a ratification of the treaty. In this they are above partisan politics and for the good of the country, regardless of who originally favored the Panama canal as against the Nicarauguan route. Patriotism is just as necessary and becoming in a Democrat as it is in a Republican. The Democratic Senators now opposing the canal put themselves in the same category with the men who opposed Jefferson's purchase of Louisiana from the French, and of Florida from the Spanish. Both were purchased from countries having no right, whatever, to sell the land. As a matter of right and justice, the land belonged to the Indians.—Denison Herald.

The Doliver-Hepburn bill which provides that all corporations and persons engaged in interstate commerce shall, as to any shipment of intoxicating liquors, be subject to all laws and police regulations with reference to such liquors, or in transaction thereof, of the State in which the place of destination is situated, and shall not be exempt therefrom by reason of such liquors or liquids being introduced therein in original packages, was taken up before the House Committee on Judiciary at Washington yesterday. A number of Senators and Representatives are known to favor the measure.

Robbers entered an express car on the Southern Pacific Sunset railroad Wednesday night, and threw a Wells Fargo Express treasure box off the train, blew it open with dynamite and secured money and valuable papers which are estimated to be worth $80,000. The train was running slow, climbing the mountains between Luis Obispo and San Ardo, California, and the messenger had locked his car and gone into another coach. The robbers forced the express car lock.

Charley Frances, son of ex-Governor Frances, president of the World's Fair organization, is a day laborer on the fair grounds. He is freight-checking clerk and wears rough clothes and rubber boots over the yards. Though a college graduate and son of a distinguished citizen, he has the mettle to exercise his physical nature by honest toil. Good for Charley.

Prof. Larkin, a well-known chemist and scientist of St. Louis, advances the startling theory that the well known curative properties of the waters of Hot Springs are due to radio-activity derived from radium in the waters.

Women have full suffrage in four states, municipal suffrage in one, school suffrage in twenty-four, tax suffrage in three, so reports Mrs. Elnora Monroe Babcock of the National American Woman Suffrage Association.

Farmers should not let the present high prices induce them to plant all cotton. Diversification is the safest plan yet.

Walk on the sunny side of life. It is healthful.

The lower house of congress has passed the Hepburn pure food bill.

Don't add to the secret heart aches of others by unkind words and acts.

Poor old Dallas, she will be overburdened with saloons and gamblers.

Geronimo, the famous Apache Indian warrior, is growing very feeble with age.

United Mine Workers in session at Indianapolis passed a resolution against Socialism.

Nobody will be to blame but yourself, if you don't pay your poll taxes, and are refused a vote in the next election.

Senator Morgan introduced a bill providing for the annexation of Panama. He thus "goes the President one better."

All of the Texas congressmen are opposed to W. J. Bryan's position regarding a silver plank in the next Democratic platform.

Editor Tom W. Perkins, of the McKinney Gazette, announces his withdrawal from the race for state senator of the district composed of Collin, Hunt and Raines counties.

Twenty-three business houses on Main street in Denison was vacated by saloonskeepers Wednesday night with the advent of the enforcement of the local option of Grayson county.

Henry Watterson strenuously objects to Mr. Bryan's proposition to stick to the Kansas City platform If Watterson's influence is all Bryan has to combat the Nebraskan will have an easy time.

The Kentucky legislature has unanimously invited Senators Gorman and Hanna to deliver addresses before that body. It now remains to be seen if the two Senators will have the nerve to tackle the Kentucky legislature.

Friday morning a tornado visited the little town of Moundville, near Tuscaloosa, Alabama, and almost wiped it off the earth. Twenty-eight persons were killed, more than a hundred injured, and only one business house was left standing.

The most dangerous hypocrite is he who plays the role of an outspoken, brave and fearless advocate, contrary to his own ideas of right and justice. The corroding influence of financial gain is evident and no protestation can veil the vision of an intelligent public.

CASTORIA.
Bears the Signature of *Chas. H. Fletcher.* The Kind You Have Always Bought

Senators John G. Willacy, R. N. Stafford, and others held another conference in Dallas Saturday to discuss the Willacy bill and the general outlook. These politicians gravitate to Dallas often at the beck and call of the liquor interest.

CASTORIA.
Bears the Signature of *Chas. H. Fletcher.* The Kind You Have Always Bought

R C Fisher expects to gin 100 bales of cotton from the bolls It is interesting to see the new plan of saving cotton. The bolls are carried through the gin distributor, or a thresher, then ginned. It makes a sample far better than one would expect and sells at a fair price.—Frisco Journal.

Hair Splits

"I have used Ayer's Hair Vigor for thirty years. It is elegant for a hair dressing and for keeping the hair from splitting at the ends."—J. A. Gruenenfelder, Grantfork, Ill.

Hair-splitting splits friendships. If the hair-splitting is done on your own head, it loses friends for you, for every hair of your head is a friend.

Ayer's Hair Vigor in advance will prevent the splitting. If the splitting has begun, it will stop it.

$1.00 a bottle. All druggists.

If your druggist cannot supply you, send us one dollar and we will express you a bottle. Be sure and give the name of your nearest express office. Address, J. C. AYER CO., Lowell, Mass.

KEEP THY TONGUE BRIDLED

If You Can't Speak Well of a Person Say Nothing.

GOOD IN SECRET ORDERS

Charity is Their Basic Principle. Evils of an Unruly Tongue.

McKinney, Texas, Jan. 21.—Christianity has ever been the basic foundation of all civilization; and the real cause of its powerful influences is because its cardinal principle is charity—meaning literally the universal brotherhood of man. The great good accomplished by the various fraternal orders, Masons, Odd Fellows, and others, is owing to the fact that the corner-stone is laid in the indestructible principle of Christian virtues—charity Therefore, with these prefatory remarks, I will proceed to present some reasons why it is an opportune moment to use the pen as a weapon to arrest the attention of the social and home circle to the apparent dangers which are imperceptibly undermining it with the corroding and worm-eating influences of the unruly tongue. "All kinds of beasts, and birds, and serpeants have been tamed—but the tongue no man can tame; it is an unruly evil, full of deadly poison. For where envying and strife is, there is confusion and evil work. The fruit of righteousness is sown in peace of them that make peace." Such are the truthful words found in the Holy Scriptures, which reveals to us the evils of an unruly tongue.

The tongue is a little member, capable of creating a fire that is indistructible in its evil effects. To lend a willing ear to the dispenser of hearsays or insinuations touching too often merely the indiscretions of people of either sex, who may be given to a laxity in morals, without any criminal acts attached, is unconsciously aiding and abetting into kindling a little spark that may in time create an unquenchable flame. Better far to give a deaf ear to all idle tales based frequently upon the flimsiest pretext, originating in the lowest instincts of the human nature; forgetting it is human to err, and divine to forgive It is well to remember, that "Charity shall cover the multitude of sins." Put on the breaks strong enough to check the unruly tongue from scattering seeds of evil, not only in the social, but home circle, thereby preventing the contaminating influences of its poisonous atmosphere. The words of a Christian mother, "My son, remember always to bridle thy tongue, for if you can't speak well of a person say nothing," are still ringing in my ears—like "Apples of gold, in pictures of silver."

Parents, be careful to always let a fraternal spirit govern your actions in training your offspring. Impress them with the importance of minding their own business, and never let their angry passions rise in tearing out other people's eyes.

AARON COFFEE,
"The Old Cotton Planter."

TO RETURN TO McKINNEY.

Greenbury Adams and Family Will Move Back From Celina.

T C Perry, who has been out at Celina for several days assisting in closing out the stock of the White Dry Goods Co's branch house there, returned home last Friday night.

The work of disposing of the stock will likely be completed this week, and Greenberry Adams, who has been manager for the firm, will move back to McKinney as soon as he can get possession of his residence here. The many friends of Mr Adams and his family here will be delighted to welcome them to McKinney again.

A Sensible Sheriff.

Sheriff W. S. Russell addressed the meeting for a few minutes and stated that when he entered office he took an oath to enforce the law as best he could and that he had always tried to live up to that oath. He stated that he and his deputies would enforce the law to the letter as the people had voted in favor of whisky being removed from the county and the courts had decided in their favor.—Sherman Democrat.

Kidney Disease Kills.

Its Victims Numbered by the Hundreds of Thousands.

Kidney diseases should be attended to at once, for almost 90 per cent. of our unexpected deaths of today are from that cause. Dr. David Kennedy's Favorite Remedy is the only sure cure known for diseases of the kidneys, liver, bladder and blood, rheumatism, dyspepsia and chronic constipation. It is marvelous how it stops that pain in the back, relieves the necessity of urinating so often at night, drives away that scalding pain in passing water, corrects the bad effects of whiskey and beer and shows its beneficial effects on the system in an incredibly short time.

George L. Smith, foreman of the Holley Manufacturing Company's Works, Lockport, N. Y., says in a recent letter:

"I have used Dr. David Kennedy's Favorite Remedy with the most beneficial results. I was troubled with gravel and kidney complaint very severely, it bothered me a great deal, and have found great relief from its use, and cheerfully recommend it."

'Favorite Remedy" is the most successful medicine ever discovered for kidney, bladder, liver and blood diseases. Its record of cures has made it famous in medical circles everywhere. It is recognized as a specific. It purifies the blood and dissolves the excess of uric acid in it, clears up the urine, restores the kidneys and bladder to their normal condition, and gently moves the bowels.

It is for sale by all druggists in the ***New 50 Cent Size*** and the regular $1.00 size bottles—less than a cent a dose.

Sample bottle—enough for trial, free by mail.

Dr. David Kennedy Corporation, Rondout, N.Y.

Dr. David Kennedy's Golden Plasters strengthen Muscles, remove pain anywhere. 15c each.

COURT NEWS.

The suit of Elizabeth Bryant vs T B Wilson, administrrtor, was completed last Thursday, and the will admitted to probate.

The suit of Annie Bryant vs J H Bryant was continued.

In the suit of H N Haddock vs M K & T railroad, an agreed judgment for $150, for bodily injuries received in a wreck, was entered.

The case of R B Carr vs Steve Hillis, et al, suit over a boundary line of a tract of land, was completed late Saturday evening and the jury rendered a verdict in favor of the plaintiff.

Judge Pearson is again presiding over his court.

The following named gentlemen compose the jury for the week: A J Ogle, J A Lewis, Milton Whisenant, W B McGehee, L H Searcy, W T Harrison, T M Hand, J T Harkness, W M Duncan, J M Malone, W S Matthews, G J Jones, B H Oats, G C McSpadden, Jno F Houser, J K Howell, Barron Thompson, Argyle Leigh, Will Howard, S H Hall, W M Fowler, C B Mixon, J H Hileman, R E Graves.

ESCAPED FROM ASYLUM.

Constable L L Owens of Farmersville came over last Friday having in custody Judson Taylor an inmate of the asylum at Terrell who escaped last September. Mr Taylor's home is at Arnold. He was placed in jail here and the officers will await instructions from the superintendent of the asylum.

COUNTY COURT.

The minutes of the last session of county court were completed last Thursday and signed by the judge and court adjourned

A suit styled W P King vs J P Griffin, which was brought over a rental contract, was filed.

SUIT FILED.

A suit over wood contract was entered by the Rock Island Coal Co. of Fort Worth, against I. K. McDowell of Wylie. The plaintiffs allege that they bought 250 cords of wood from the defendant, and that he only delivered 13 cords, and they are suing for damages.

Mrs. W. T. Hall Dead.

Mrs. Kate Hall, wife of W. T. (Tom) Hall, who resides about four miles northwest of McKinney, died Sunday at 7:25 o'clock, from pneumonia Mrs Hall and her husband have lived for a number of years on their farm known as the old Esquire W. R. H. Mack place. She was sixty years of age and leaves six children living, four sons and two daughters as follows: Mrs Walter Downs and Mrs Loyd Watkins of near Vineland; Ollie Hall of Allen, Sam of the Indian Territory, Henry and Horace of Vineland.

Mrs Hall was a most estimable lady and her death will be universally regretted. The funeral took place Monday afternoon at 4 o'clock, the interment being made in the Horn cemetery.

A J Lamar of Coffeyville, Kansas, will read Collin county news in The Democrat. His sister, Miss Annie Stephens of Parker sends it to him. The Democrat list is growing nicely.

WEDDED WEDNESDAY EVE

Westmoreland-Yeager and Barlow-Westmoreland Nuptials.

AT FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

Beautiful and Impressive Ceremony Witnessed by a Great Number of Friends.

The double wedding which took place at the First Baptist church Wednesday night at 8:30 drew a throng of friends that filled the large building to its utmost seating capacity.

All day Mesdames E. E. King and S. P. Coffey assisted by a number of young ladies were busy arranging the decorations for the occasion, and when the church was thrown open last evening it certainly presented a scene of surpassing loveliness, where beauty shed a halo of glory in its intrinsic splendor.

When the first notes of the beautiful wedding march were sounded by Mrs. King a hush fell upon the vast audience, and the inner doors of the north entrance swung open and the bridal party entered as follows: Mr. Payton Westmoreland with his sister, Miss Pearl Westmoreland, preceded by Mr. Conant King as usher, and Mr. Herndon H. Barlow with Miss Emma Yeager preceded by Mr. Will Oglesby as usher, the first couple entering the right aisle, and the latter the left, advanced to the altar and very prittily did the contracting parties assume position before Dr. E. E. King, who in a most beautiful and impressive ceremony, the soft, low strains from the organ adding to its beauty and solemnity, pronounced Mr. Westmoreland and Miss Yeager, and Mr. Barlow and Miss Westmoreland husband and wife. Then to the organ's swelling strains the two happy young couples, preceded by the ushers, marched out to where the carriage awaited to convey them to the pretty cottage homes which had been carefully prepared by each groom for the reception of his bride. Mr. and Mrs. Barlow will reside at the former home of Mr. Barlow's grandfather, George Herndon, on North Bradley street, and Mr. and Mrs. Westmoreland on West Davis street.

The wedding gowns of both the brides were exquisite creations of beautiful clinging white goods, richly ornamented. Both wore large hats and and carried boquets of carnations.

Mr. Westmoreland is a highly esteemed young business man, being a member of the grocery firm of J. B. Rhoden & Co. His bride is the daughter of Mrs. J. W. Pafford, and is a charming young lady who has many friends.

Mr. Barlow is a son of G. J. Barlow of this city and is a young man of the highest merit, possessing the respect and confidence of all, and his fair young bride is in every way fitted for an ideal wife. She is a niece of J. B. Rhoden.

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A meeting of the stockholders of the Crouch-Saigling Company, the big wholesale and retail furniture and hardware dealers, was held Thursday afternoon, and the following officers were re-elected: Charles E. Saigling, President; C. F. Saigling, Vice-President; L. W. Crouch, Secretary. The past year has been one of the most prosperous that this firm has ever known.

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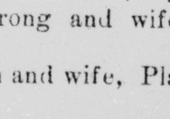

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VITAL STATISTICS REPORT

Births and Deaths in Collin County Since Last Report

BIRTHS.

J W Purcell and wife, McKinney, girl.

Tom Morgan and wife, Plano, girl.

Claude Jasper and wife, Plano, girl.

Guy Rice and wife, Plano, boy.

Jackson Armstrong and wife, Lucas, girl.

Will Wilkerson and wife, Plano, girl.

Dr E B Strother and wife, Plano, girl.

J O McBride and wife, Farmersville, girl.

J L Wylie and wife, Farmersville, girl.

J F Robottom and wife, Altoga, girl.

J J Wilson and wife, Altog girl.

L F Whitsen and wife, Altoga boy.

John Erwin and wife, Melissa boy.

F M Hughes and wife, Wylie girl.

John Ault and wife, McKinney, boy.

J K Rich and wife, McKinney girl.

Hammock Wilson and wife McKinney, boy.

Geo Nelson and wife Van Alstyne, boy.

Jess Aron and wife, Van Alstyne, girl.

Dick Brittain and wife, Van Alstyne, boy.

Charlie Anderhub and wife Wylie, girl.

A J Chumbly and wife, Valdasta, boy.

Frank Lanier and wife, Roland girl.

G A Abbott and wife, Princeton, girl.

John Jenkins and wife, Farmersville, boy.

June Seat and wife, Copeville boy.

H C Martin and wife, Valdasta boy.

Fred Skelton and wife, Wylie girl.

John D Brooks and wife, Josephine, girl.

DEATHS.

Liza Anna Hall, age 17 years Josephine, paralysis.

Mrs Mattie Morris, age 4 years, Plano, gastro-intestinal inflamation. Influenza.

Mrs J C Shelly, age 51 years Melissa, chronic pulmonary tuberculosis, Heridity.

James Haddock, age 77 years Van Alstyne, pneumonia.

Mrs James Haddock, age 7n years, Van Alstyne, pneumonia

Jenie Roberts, age 5 years Farmersville, measles.

Earl Kirkland, age 3 years, Roland, laryngeal diptheria.

Our beautiful little city has neither a so-called "joint" or gambling dive in it, and our citizens say they will not permit either. In this they are right and can depend on The Journal exposing any violation of the law that comes to our notice. Let us have a clean town.—Frisco Journal.

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PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS

Little Items of Personal and General Interest.

AT HOME AND ABROAD

The Doings of the Day—Movements of the People—Business Notes.

THURSDAY.

P. Q Russell of Clear Lake is in the city.

Mrs. Lillie Harris and sister, Miss Annie Newman, came up from Plano for a visit.

J. H. Betterton of Branch sends dollar by Rev. Mack Cook to renew for his Democrat to February, 1905.

Mesdames Harry McDonald and little son. Lyman, and Robt. G. Love, returned to Amarillo this afternoon after visiting their parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Fields.

Robt. A. Bagley, an M. K. & railway employe of Denison, in the city attending the bedside of his sick father, ex-County Treasurer W. M. Bagley, whose condition does not improve much.

If your stomach is disordered, bowels irregular, and you don't feel well, you need Prickly Ash Bitters. It is very effective in removing this condition.

Rev. Mack Cook and parents, Mr and Mrs J H Cook, for many years residents of the Lucas community, have bought the G W Shipley property in McKinney and moved into it. Rev. Cook is pastor of the Branch and Faulkner Baptist churhes.

Aching in small of the back is an indication of Bright's disease. The proper course in such cases is to take a few doses of Prickly Ash Bitters. It is an effective kidney remedy and bowel regulator.

Mr and Mrs Ed Bomar and Mr and Mrs Charlie Malone returned today from Petersburg, Tennessee, where they have been visiting relatives for the past month. Mr Bomar, who accompanied them and visited at Bell Buckle, Tennessee, returned also.

G. W. and O. C. Cupp who operate a sawmill at the old Carter stand on Pilot Grove creek southeast of Culleoka, have bought the boiler formerly used at the old Electric Light plant here, and were in town yesterday making arrangements to haul it out. These gentlemen are making a success of the sawmill business.

W. T. Brooke, foreman of the Grand Jury, entertained the members of the jury today at dinner at his home on West Hunt street. The repast was elegant in every sense of the word, and gracefully served by Mrs. Brooke and her daughters, and the hospitality for which this family is noted was lavishly bestowed on the gentlemen present, who were as follows: C A Melton, Allen, J S Hill, Melissa; James Helm, Weston; R Seager, Lebanon; R A Huey, McKinney; J M Parkhill, Pike; F I Wolford, Anna; Tally Jeffcoat, Blue Ridge; Ed McMurray, Verona; Bristow Smith, Rock Hill; J H Gulledge, Plano. County Attorney R C Merritt, assistant county attorney L J Truett and door bailiff, J H Blake, were also in attendance at

H. R. Boggess, manager of the Nickel Store in this city since last March, will be transferred to Terrell the first of next month where he will be placed in charge of Duke & Teal's store in that city. H. C. (Bud) Ausburn will succeed him as manager of the McKinney house. Mr. and Mrs. Boggess have made many friends during their stay in our city who regret to see them leave. Mr. Ausburn has been clerking in this store several months and is a competent young business man. Miss Irene Morton will remain with the McKinney store.

FRIDAY.

Jim Thomas, of Taylor, Williamson county, has entered the McKinney business college.

F W Close of Route 2, Allen, is a new subscriber of The Democrat.

R L Mathews and family of Allen visited relatives here, returning home last night.

Constipation leads to liver trouble, and torpid liver to Bright's disease. Prickly Ash Bitters is a certain cure at any stage of the disorder.

Our young friend, W J Marshall of Copeville gave us a pleasant call to pay arrearage on subscription to The Democrat. He also pushed his date ahead. He likes our policy of cash in advance. Mr Marshal is a son of our ald time friend, J B Marshal.

John E Wilson favors us with a renewal of The Democrat. He also takes the Pioneer Magazine at our clubbing rate.

The heavey showers of rain that fell Wednesday night and yesterday was welcomed by the farmers who say it will benefit wheat and volunteer oats very much Reports indicate that the rainfall was general.

Sheriff T M Beverly went out to Weston Thursday and arrested a man by the name of A. P. Mays on a charge of violating the local option law. Mays made bond in the sum of $200 and was released.

SATURDAY.

We regret to note the illnes of little J W Barnes, Jr., baby son of Mr and Mrs Joe W Barnes.

Mrs J H Gibson of Melissa, mother of Mrs G E Strother of this city, is recovering from her recent severe illness.

W J S Russell, formerly of this city but now of Quanah, returned home today after a business trip of several days here. Mr Russell is well pleased with the west.

Capt W A Rhea is recovering from a week's attack of lagrip, which came upon him while out at his farm at Rhea Mills. The Courier will keep him posted on McKinney news until he is able to return home

Postmaster Curtis of Weston sends cash with instructions to send to "C A Callahan the best paper in Collin county one year." We modestly send Mr Callahan The Democrat. Thanks,

THE BIG ROCKWALL FIRE

One of the Most Disastrous Burns in the History of the Town.

LOSS NEAR FIFTY THOUSAND

Several Buildings in Business Portion Destroyed—The Fire is Fanned by Strong Wind.

Rockwall, Tex., Jan. 23.—One of the most disastrous fires in the history of Rockwall occurred here Thursday night. The fire was discovered in the second story of the buildings owned by J. L. Lovejoy of McKinney, and rapidly spread over the entire building and from this to the building occupied by J L Jones and owned by Wm Hickard, thence to O C Long's drug store and the postoffice building. A strong wind was blowing from the northwest and for a time it seemed that almost the entire business portion of the town would be destroyed.

The losses and insurance, as near as can be gotten at, are as follows:

J J Lovejoy, three two-story buildings, $11,000; insurance $7,000. W M Hicard, two buildings, $2,500; insurance $1,600. O C Long, building, $1,250; insurance $900. R T Tipton, dry goods, $15,000; insurance $6,000. B F Spafford, general merchandise, $7,000; insurance $2,000 J L Jones, general merchandise, $3,000; insurance $1,500. All of the fixtures of the postoffice were burned. M S Bailey, damage by water and removal, $1,000, covered by insurance. F M Anderson, damaged by water and removal, covered by insurance. Dr J F Corry, office and library, $1,600; no insurance. Dr T L Key's office and library, $1,200; no insurance. Dr W S Kennedy, office, $1,000; insurance $750. N C Edwards, law office, $600; no insurance. Rockwall telephone exchange, $1,000; no insurance. Southwestern Telephone and Telegraph Company, not known. Woodmen of the World, loss $400; insurance $250. Red Men, $400; no insurance. Turner Bros, barber shop, $700; no insurance. And several smaller losses caused by removal and water. The origin of the fire is unknown.

The local telephone exchange destroyed in the above mentioned fire, and a number of toll lines were owned by Lawrence Moore, a brotther-in-law of Mrs. L. C. Clifton of McKinney. Mr. Moore was also manager of the Southwestern long distance exchange.

From Cisco.

Cisco, Tex, Jan 23.—Here I am again knocking for admittance. As I have not written to the Dear Old Democrat for some time I will drop a few dots this morning.

Xmas has passed and gone and a new year is upon us. Let us all as the year grows, try to do better and do more for the good of humanity than we have in the year just past and gone. And all ye correspondents be prompt in your writing to our paper.

The Democrat is a welcome visitor in our home. When Saturday morning comes we are anxious to get The Democrat to see what news from our old home. Although I like my aew home I am always anxious to hear from my old dear home.

We had a fine rain this week. It was getting pretty dry. The rain certainly was appreciated, as the ground was so hard the farmeys could not plough.

There has been a right smart of sickness in this community for some time. A family of seven by the name of Bostick had fever which resulted in three deaths out of seven—father, mother and the oldest girl. Little Virgil Shuman has been very low with typhoid fever for seven week. He is just beginning to sit up now. L Shuman and family of Cisco have all been sick with lagrippe.

Our Sunday school is started up again at Romney, with J J Lucus superintendent, Clyde Freeman, secretary, T D Freeman, Mrs Kate Shuman, Miss Mary Shuman and Miss Mae Elliott as teachers.

Fourth Sunday is our regular preaching day at Romney. Preaching by Rev Hanks.

Miss Loula Foreman of Cisco is instructing a music class at Romney.

Born to Mr and Mrs J W Reynolds Dec 26, a 9 3-4-pound boy.

Mrs J J Lucus of Romney visited Mrs Kate Shuman one day last week.

Misses Loula Foreman and Mary Shuman dined with Mrs Liza Joiner last Sunday.

Singing Sunday night at Mrs Sallie Joiner's.

Success to the The Democrat editors and corespondents is the wish of MARY SHUMAN.

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From Frisco.

The Frisco Journal reports the following improvements around that place.

Mr Greer of Richardson, Texas, is building an addition to a barn on his rent place near Little Elm.

Mr Wilks of Little Elm is building a buggy house.

M L Epley is using poplar lumber for making wagon beds.

John Bell, west of town, got lumber for building a fence.

A L Wright, West of town, is repairing sheds.

Mr Durham, east of town, is repairing a shed to his barn.

A F Quissenbury, east of town, got boards and lumber for building fence and gates.

B F Rogers, northwest of town, got lumber last Saturday for building purposes.

Tom Talley, south of town, is improving his place.

Cole & Cole are painting the front of their store.

R M Gibbs of near Bates is building a curbing to his well.

J N Mayberry of near Little Elm is doing some fencing on Mrs Hill's place.

A P Rogers west of town is doing considerable fencing and repairing.

T E Greer of near Rector is improving his place.

W H Stone of Rector is building a nice barn.

G S Baccus is building sheds.

Henry Baccus, living south of town, is doing some fencing.

Ollie Hill bought lumber to fence with.

K M Matlock of Bates is building a room to his house.

Joel Howard of High Point is repairing his farm fence.

F H Sontag bought lumber to build gates.

The Baptist church is being built.

John Greer of Rector bought ceiling to fix up his house.

G. L. (Leslie) Shields of McKinney, R F. D. No. 1, renews for The Democrat. Proud to have you back on our list, Leslie.

REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS.

Wylie Cemetery Co to R Housewright, cemetery lot 1 in block 10 $20.

F M Gilbough to R Housewright, 3 lots in Wylie $225.

W E Thomas to G W Thompson, G W Gunnells sur 1-4 interest 28a $160.

Geo W Thompson to R Housewright, G W Gunnells sur 28a $2000.

L A McKinney to J H Burns lot in Wylie, $30.

J H Burns and wife to R Housewright lot in Wylie $450.

R Housewright and wife to Geo Thompson, G W Gunnells sur 28a $750.

J E Moore and wife to W M Seigler Jno West sur 20a $500.

C A Houston and wife to W E Rucker and wife Wm Davis sur lot McKinney $4250.

J H King and wife to M Means E H Dodd H Douglass sur 60.79a $2735.55.

W N Wilcoxson and wife to J F Lovell D J James sur 100a $5710.

S J Palmer et al to W R James Moore sur 17a $1125.

J N Jasper to J O Phillips M M Roberts sur 45a 1100.

J T DeShields and wife to J W Audress L B Outlaw sur 53a $2650.

J W Audress and wife to T R Henderson L B Outlaw sur $2350

J W Wilson and wife to Alvin Brown Wm Warden E Ledbetter sur 200a $4250.

T L Wilson to Alvin Brown E Ledbetter sur 200 $12500.

C C J Aston and wife to Geo W Jessee W H Stark sur 212 1-2 $8000.

Jas Potut and wife to C C Yaw lot Copeville $500.

Henry S Boyle to Florence Griffith 54a $2100.

W J Holmes to J M Shehane Samuel Pugh sur 50a $3000.

Geo D Kirby and wife to S P Coffey J N M Thompson sur $1247.15.

Emmet McDougal and wife to J E Mitchell lot Celina $1000.

B L Townsite Co to Emmet McDougal lot Celina $350.

H B Carlisle to Joe Uselton lot Plano $800.

Ernest Johnson and wife to H T Willis J C Neill sur undivided interest in 100a $422.60.

Ethel Wright et al to E M Jones H Smith sur undivided interest in 157.40a $600.

C C Dibrell to R H Lyday et al Benj Bland sur 50a $83.33

R H Lyday et al to J E Chiles Benj Bland sur 50 $500.

J W Holly and wife to Cook & Yager two lots Copeville $475.

E M Phelps and wife to L E Chapman C C school lands lot Prosper $150.

H C Mathews and wife to G F Kirby Calvin Boles sur 37a $800.

J M Wilcox to J H Wilcox J L Read sur 60a $1325.

Frank Pennington gdn to J T Phillips Jas Mathews sur one-tenth 51 1-6a $180.

G P Skidmore et al to J T Phillips Jas Mathews sur 51 1-6a $729.

J D Kemp and wife to W T Driggers J Lee Wright sur 30a $1300.

J C Phillips to B C Reynolds Jas Mathews 51 1-6a $2558.35.

M J Reynolds et al to R C Reynolds Joel Lee sur 70a $2450.

W T Driggers et al to J H Smith and wife Jno Lee Wright sur 30a $1000.

G W Cupp et ux to Mattie Clements Jno Russell sur 22 1-2a $400.

J H Gibson and wife to S P Gibson N Staats sur one-half int 108a $1100.

F M Gibson and wife to S P Gibson N Staats one-half int 108a $1100.

C A Gibson and wife to S P Gibson Jno Lee Wright sur one-sixth int 137a $872.

J H Gibson and wife to F M Gibson Jno Lee Wright sur one-sixth int 137a $872.

Thos Vernon et al to S P Gibson Jno Lee Wright 25a $500.

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Dislocated Her Shoulder.

Mrs. Johanna Soderholm, of Fergus Falls, Minn., fell and dislocated her shoulder. She had a surgeon get it back in place as soon as possible, but it was quite sore and pained her very much. Her son mentioned that he had seen Chamberlain's Pain Balm advertised for sprains and soreness and she asked him to buy her a bottle of it, which he did. It quickly relieved her and enabled her to sleep which she had not done for several days, The son was so much pleased with the relief it gave his mother that he has since recommended it to many others. For sale by City Drug Store.

Kind Words From Soldier Boy.

J H (Homer) Myers writes as follows:

Fort Warden, Washington.
Jan. 15, 1903.

Mr. Editor:

I notice your new system of cash in advance so enclosed find $1.00 for The Democrat. The dear old Democrat is a welcome visitor each week with its burden of news from every part of old Collin. I enlisted in McKinney May 27, 1903, and was sent to San Francisco where I remained for three weeks and was sent to Fort Warden, Wash. The trees and grass stay green the whole year round. We have lots of fine fruit and snow on the mountains the year round.

With best wishes to all inquiring friends.

HOMER MYERS,
Co. 62, Coast Art.

Hon F E Wilcox, County Judge of Collin county, spent Satuaday in Dallas. He says that McKinney, his home town, is in a prosperous condition, and that the county generally is in better shape than it has been in some years.—Dallas News

Poll taxes paid in Collin county up to Saturday night numbered 6558.

KIDNEY PAINS

Are located in the small of the back and may appear on one or both sides. These are dangerous symptoms because they indicate the early appearance of Bright's Disease.

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Inspect our new stock of wall paper—1904 designs.—City Drug Store.

FROM OVER THE COUNTY.

LUCAS.

Lucas, Jan. 25.—The nice rain and little snow which fell last week greatly improved the looks of wheat and oats.

Fred Christian is dangerously sick at his father's.

Mr Boatwright was called by 'phone to the bedside of his sick mother at Sache, Thursday.

J W Smith, of Dump, has been elected superintendet of the Baptist sunday school at Lucas.

Rev Cosby attended the dedication service at Harrington's Chapel, Jan 17th.

On next Sunday evening there will be a big singing at Lucas. All lovers of music are invited.

The Lucasites are making all necessary arrangements for coming "Normal Musical Institute" by Prof Patton. Names are coming in from other neighborhoods, and board being secured. We say, "come on," ve lovers of music, and we will join heart and hand and try to learn to sing.

The minister who was to have preached at Lucas yesterday failed to put in his appearance.

WILMETH.

Wilmeth, Jan 25—R A McLarry is able to be up after a several weeks illness.

Maud Kendall, of McKinney, visited her sister, Mrs J D Dunn, Sunday afternoon.

Rev G L Bush, of McKinney, filled his regular appointment here Sunday afternoon and preached a most excellent sermon.

J W Hall is very sick with "la grippe."

The entertainment at the school house was well attended Saturday night.

Charley Knott and wife of Monroe, La., who have been here visiting Tony McDonald and wife have gone to Durant, where they will reside in the future.

We now have free rural delivery which is appreciated by the people.

BISHOP.

Bishop, Jan 25—Mrs Klapper spent last week with her daughter, Mrs Emma Canada, of McKinney.

A L Cole made a business trip to the county site Thursday.

Prof J O Johnson and the men of this community met twice at the school house last week for the purpose of getting up an arithmetic school, which they have succeeded in getting. It will commence this week sometime.

N I Herd spent a few days with C W Wallis last week.

Miss Mary Klapper spent Tuesday night and Wednesday night with Misses Lillie Bishop and Essie Lawson.

Messrs C W Wallis and Bruce Welch were the guests of Grandma Bishop Sunday evening.

N I Herd left Monday for his home in Atlanta, Georgia.

Mrs Taylor and children were the guests of Mrs Wallis Sunday.

Wm Elliott left Saturday for his home at Hunter, Oklahoma, after a two weeks visit to his niece, Mrs Wm Bishop. When he came he only had a grip, but when he returned he took a good sized trunk loaded with the many wonders and curiosities of the Lone Star State.

COALE'S CHAPEL.

Coale's Chapel, Jan 25.—We had a most excellent sermon from Rev Coale Sunday evening.

Our Sunday school is progressing nicely.

Mr Blackwell from White's Grove attended services here Sunday.

Mr Morrison and family from Lick Spring attended Sunday school and services here Sunday.

Miss May Andrews is visiting in the Rowlette neighborhood.

Mrs Ino Barnes has returned from Melissa after a few days stay with her daughter, Mrs Louie Coffman.

George Drake is all smiles over the appearance of a little girl at his home.

Luther Talent has returned home from Dallas to stay.

Well, Aunt Susie, how are you?

I deeply sympathize with Mr Cates over his sad accident.

Well, Hazel Eyes, it is time you were coming again. You musn't forget this is leap year.

"On the Wing" asks for sympathy. I hope he will be kindly remembered by some one.

Mrs Rogers and daughter, Bessie have returned from Wise county after a few days visit to her son, Sloan Rogers. They spent one night with Mr Orman at Rock Hill. She reports wheat looking fine in that country.

It is a treat to me to read all the correspondents' letters for I've been a constant reader of The Democrat ever since it was edited. I don't think I've ever missed a paper.

CHAMBERSVILLE.

Chambersville, Jan 25.—The rain and snow was greatly enjoyed by the farmers. The branches are running and the ground seems to be in good condition. Wheat looks greatly improved.

The wood man is in evidence again.

Mr Rabbit had many trials during the last few days and a great many were shot and left on the spot.

Our school is doing well. The attendance was lessened some by the bad weather.

We are expecting our mail boxes this week.

J P Gainey had a runaway last week as he was hauling some lumber. As he came down the creek hill at Mr Cave's store, some of the lumber slipped on the mules causing them to run. As Jim wanted to be able to vote next July, he soon hopped off the wagon. One wheel and the tongue was smashed.

J B Giles is improving rapidly. He will soon be out on crutches.

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FRANKLIN.

Franklin, Jan 25.—With sadness we relate the death of I P Payne who died with cancer of the mouth last Saturday afternoon at 5 o'clock. He was buried at Walnut Grove Sunday afternoon at 4 o'clock. He leaves a wife and two children, a son, R T Payne, of this place, and a daughter, Mrs Will Berry, of Decatur, Wise county. We extend our sympathy to the bereaved family.

We had a light snow Thursday night which was enjoyed by all, the school children especially.

R T Payne has gone to Durant, I T, to see his wife who has been there three weeks. She will accompany him home Sunday.

Our school is progressing nicely at this writing.

John Hinsley and family have moved into the house where Mr Collins has lived for the last two years.

Mrs Ida Hicks of the Indian Territory is here visiting her mother, Mrs Jane Baker of this place.

John Taylor of McKinney is here painting the residence of Wm Foster.

Johnnie Thomasson of Weston was in our community last Tuesday.

Mr and Mrs Clyde Burge spent last Saturday night with Mr and Mrs Snyder of Rhea Mills.

Prosper.

Prosper, Tex., Jan. 25.—Ed Hinman and Titus Keen were in our town last week.

The new residence of Hubert Douglas on Cottage Hill is completed.

The Methodist meeting, which was conducted by Rev Brown of Dallas, closed Sunday night.

Mrs Martin has returned from a visit to her daughter in Durant, I. T.

Miss Maida Edwards is real sick at this writing.

Horace Talkington made a business trip to McKinney last Tuesday.

Miss Rose Cravens has accepted the position as teacher in the primary deparment in our school, which has increased so rapidly three teachers were unable to do the work.

Ed Beanland has changed his boarding place from Mr Leedy's to Mr Keen's. Ed says he is much handier to his work now.

Jim Crowder of McKinney was a pleasant vititor in Prosper Sunday.

Miss Lena Keen returned home last Wednesday from a visit to relatives in Greenville and Culleoka.

We are glad to say that Miss Mattie McKnight, who has been real sick with grippe, is recovering.

Mrs Wells and daughter, from the Indian Territory, are visiting Mrs James Coleman.

The Prosper Gin Co. have threshed out 100 bales of cotton from unopened bolls. The price for the bolls is from $1.50 to $2 00 per 100 pounds, and they yield 33 1-3 pounds of lint to the 100.

W C Naugle has bought a business lot on Broadway.

Prosper now has a complete telephone system.

Mrs Jerry Martin is on the sick list.

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NORTH BOUND H & T C.

No 9—4:34 a m	No 3—9:35 p
No 5—9:05 a m	

SOUTH BOUND H & T C.

	No 4—8:30a
No 8—12:44p m	No 6—7.07 p

EAST LINE—M K & T.

Leave 8:20 a m	Arrives 5:15 p

LOCAL

Arrives 12 m	Leaves 2:1

The 8:30 M, K. & T. connects at Greenville with northbound Katy for Kansas City St. Louis and

COUNTY NEWS.

GRAYBILL.

Grayb[illegible] Jan 25.—Miss Effie [illegible]es is visiting at Sanger, Tex.

C [illegible]artin will move to Wise [illegible]nty soon.

[illegible]he I O O F enjoyed a private [illegible]oper Tuesday night.

Willie, the infant son of D W [illegible]d fell down and stuck a nail [illegible]is leg this week which gave [illegible] little fellow very much pain.

[illegible]he W O W gave a public in[illegible]ation of officers Saturday [illegible]ht at Westminster.

[illegible]ee Northcutt and family visit[illegible] Tom Allen and family Sun[illegible].

John W Saye has announced [illegible]mself as a candidate for con[illegible]ble of the Melissa precinct. [illegible]n is one of the boys and would [illegible]ke an excellent official.

John McAlister is on the sick [illegible].

[illegible] W Holcomb, one of Collin's [illegible]oved ex-citizens but now of [illegible]n Green county, writes a [illegible]nd that his oldest boy, Ulma, [illegible]ery low with pneumonia. Also [illegible]t he will go into the mercan[illegible] business soon.

[illegible]saac Tree was in Graybill [illegible]ursday.

John W Saye was in White[illegible]ght on business this week.

[illegible]t is rumored that E M Tallent [illegible]l sell out his gin, etc.

[illegible]M B Holcomb was in Graybill [illegible]day.

[illegible]E F Lair and wife Sundayed [illegible]h your scribe and wife.

[illegible]M C Caylor has been on the [illegible]k list for some time.

Major Bass is the employ of [illegible]hn McAlister.

Well, The Democrat just gets [illegible]ter all the time. It is without [illegible]peer when it comes to a news[illegible]per.

WHITES GROVE.

White's Grove, Tex., Jan. 25.—[illegible]Rev Cole filled his regular ap[illegible]intment here Saturday night [illegible]d Sunday and Sunday night.

[illegible]Cook Vantrease returned home [illegible]er spending a few weeks with [illegible]tives in Tennessee, accompa[illegible]d by Jim Hearn.

[illegible]Misses Lula and Madge Shields [illegible]Wetsel visited Miss Pearl Wil[illegible]ns Saturday eve.

[illegible]A few of the young people at[illegible]ded a social at Mrs Vantrease's [illegible]nday night.

[illegible]There will be prayer meeting [illegible]the church Sunday night.

FOOTE.

[illegible]Foote, Tex., Jan. 25.—The [illegible]w which fell last Thursday [illegible]orded much pleasure to the [illegible]bit hunters. It was a great [illegible]efit to wheat and oats.

[illegible]Mrs Grundy Lewis and Mrs [illegible]m Roberson are able to be up.

[illegible]Prof Wallace is getting along [illegible]ely with his school at Bowlby. [illegible]has a large attendance and is [illegible]ed by both pupils and parents.

[illegible]Dr Jim Lewis, a veterinary [illegible]geon of Chicago, is here visit[illegible] his sick mother, Mrs Grundy [illegible]wis.

[illegible]Mrs Cellus Coleman, of the [illegible]an. Territory, has returned [illegible]me after a few days visit to her [illegible]ents here.

[illegible]Mr and Mrs Hammock Wilson [illegible] the happy parents of a fine [illegible] which arrived the 14th inst.

[illegible]A social was given at the home [illegible] Walter Hand one night last [illegible]k, which was greatly enjoyed [illegible]ll present.

[illegible]rs McDowell of Bonham [illegible]nt a few days here the past [illegible]ek with her daughter, Mrs H [illegible]lson.

[illegible]Our little village is still improv[illegible] Hickey Bros have erected a [illegible]ksmith shop here and Art [illegible]er will begin work some time [illegible] week. Anybody who has [illegible]k to do give him a trial as he [illegible]erstands the business.

[illegible]here were no services at Bowl[illegible] yesterday on account of bad [illegible]s.

COTTAGE HILL.

[illegible]ttage Hill, Jan 25.—Mrs [illegible]ns who has recently moved [illegible] this community, has been [illegible]t sick but is improving some [illegible]his writing.

[illegible]uch a sad burial at Cottage [illegible] on last Tuesday afternoon—[illegible]fair daughter of Mr and Mrs [illegible]ce Austin and the almost 5-[illegible]ks bride of Jack Button. [illegible]eral services conducted by [illegible]s Darnall and Hudgins. The [illegible]ber attending the burial was [illegible]mated at five hundred. We [illegible]nd heartfelt sympathy to the [illegible]aved.

[illegible]Claude Francis of Celina visit[illegible]home folks on last Saturday [illegible]t and Sunday.

[illegible]Mrs S M Francis was the re[illegible]cipient of a nice "Brownie cap" not long since. She expresses her thanks to the donor through The Democrat. She is well pleased.

Our school is doing nicely, with 62 enrolled.

CULLEOKA.

Culleoka, Jan 25.—W R Todd has returned from the Indian Territory where he has been visiting relatives.

J W Sims returned to Ivanhoe Monday after spending a few days with friends here.

R L Stamford and family have moved to Coalgate, Indian Territory.

Miss Lena Kerr of Prosper, who has been the guest of her sister, Mrs G W Gambrell, has returned from Ellis county where she has been visiting relatives.

Miss Nola Chapman of Farmersville, who has been the guest of Miss Esther Lassater, returned home last week.

Mrs Braden has returned from Ellis county where she has been visiting relatives.

Will Harping left last week for California.

Matt Snavely is our miller now. Mill is on South Main street.

Mrs W S Gambrell entertained with flinch Saturday night.

Rev Snider of Lucas attended Sunday school here Sunday.

Several young people from Clear Lake attended Sunday school here Sunday.

PIKE.

Pike, Jan 25.—Dr J T Slover of Darty, Indian Territory, was here last week visiting relatives.

Miss Eula Harlowe and Miss Perrin were visiting at J P Huckabee's last Sunday.

Mr Teague, who has been sick for some time, is no better.

Mr Clymer who has been very sick the past week, is slowly recovering.

Mrs Viser left last week for Arkansas to see her brother who was seriously sick.

F P Reedy, E H Sharp, Ed Adams and John Tib went to McKinney last Sunday.

Rev Wheeler preached at the Baptist church Saturday night, Sunday and Sunday night.

Henry Redmond and Bud Williams returned from McKinney Monday.

Rev D A Fuller who resided here for several years, is critically ill at his home in Leonard.

Fred Irvine went to Terrell last Saturday to visit his father, Rev Irvine.

D W Leigh was here Saturday.

The ladies of the Baptist church have been contributing to Buckner's Orphan Home the past week.

BRANCH.

Branch, Jan 25.—Little Era Lafon is sick.

A dance was given at John Harrison's Saturday night.

A candy breaking was enjoyed by the people of our community at J G Johnson's, one night last week.

W H R Mathews has bought a $30 riding cultivator.

Abner Griffith's pony died last week of blind staggers.

J E Geer and wife of Clear Lake visited relatives here Sunday.

Eld J C Lowery of Biggers failed to fill his regular appointment here Sunday.

A home dining was given at W P Osborn's Sunday, at which all of the many guests were treated to the rare dish of fresh venison, the result of J S and J R Osborn's recent hunt in the Territory.

Cordis Spurgeon of Lucas preached for us last night, also Prof Neely of Blythe's Chapel made an interesting talk.

BIGGERS.

Biggers, Jan 25.—Rain, snow and mud are seen in our streets now.

Dr Bridgefarmer says that he is kept busy waiting on sick.

Mr Dugger's little girl is on the sick list at present.

Born to Mr and Mrs John Kendell, a fine boy.

Elzy Odle's baby is on the sick list this week.

Wheat is looking fine now after the rains of last week.

Miss Cattie Bridgefarmer visited Leo Odle and family Sunday.

T R Creason and family visited their parents last Saturdry.

School is progressing nicely at Higgin's school house.

Bill Odle has gone up to Tioga Tex, to do carpenter work.

Farmers are getting along finely preparing their ground this winter.

About all the unopened cotton bolls around here have been gathered.

An accident occurred to Joe Allen one day last week. He was raking stalks and his team ran away, bruising him up considerably.

ALTOGA.

Altoga, Jan 26.—Rev Levi Dunn of Greenville filled Rev Hall's pulpit last Sunday night week to a well filled house.

S G Henderson's brother Mack was visiting him last week. Miss Newell went home with him for a few days visit.

Earnest Henderson came home last Monday week from Wylie, where he had been gathering cotton bolls, threatened with pneumonia.

The school is progressing very nicely with over one hundred in attendance.

E Williams is fencing a hog pasture and expect to turn his attention more to fine hog raising in the future.

T C Cate went to the city today with a load of turkeys.

Burt Farley and wife have a very sick child.

Grandpa and Grandma Dunn are both down with lagrip.

Mrs Dr Dobbs is confined to her bed with lagrip.

Rev W H Dunn and wife are tussling with lagrippe.

G O Cate will soon be able to go to the city if the weather will admit.

Homer Cate who has been confined to his bed for two weeks with rheumatic fever, is very much better this morning.

Mrs Euclyd Dunn has been sick several days.

Little Ida Carson is down with the fever.

Last night was the coldest night of the winter, and it made everybody hunt wood before it came.

RHYMER.

Rhymer, Jan 25—We are having some very disagreeable weather now. Had a fine rain. Wheat looks well.

Burl Roper had the misfortune to lose his house and contents by fire last Monday. He lost everything but a few small articles. Cause of fire thought to be from quilt-cotton up-stairs and children playing with matches in some way ignited the cotton.

Jim Mulder visited at the home of J L Arrington last Saturday.

Lark Beaty and wife left for their future home in Denton county, Monday.

Mr Todd is improving his farm by clearing some and changing fences.

G R Alexander, the land agent, has decided to make a crop this year.

Ed McDonald has his sawmill up and ready to go to work

We are glad to report Jimmie Brawner so much improved as to be able to work some.

We are sorry to report the sad death of Calvin McBeth, of Chetoca, Kansas. He accidently shot himself with a shot gun. He only lived 24 hours. His remains were shipped here for burial, and they were laid to rest by the side of his brother, in Elm Grove cemetery.

Jim and John Scott, of Cook county, were visiting in these parts the latter part of last week.

WESTMINSTER.

Westminster, Jan 25—The lecture was postponed on account of snow 'til Friday night, February the 5th. It's going to be something worth listening to.

Good Sunday School yesterday morning and a very interesting program was rendered at the B Y P U in the afternoon.

Rev Bryant, the M P preacher of this place, was sick last week, but was able to preach yesterday.

Prof Williams and Varley Giles of Graybill attended singing at this place last night. Bessie and Homer Hulin of Graybill were here also.

Prof Lee, of Culleoka, was in our town Saturday and Sunday.

Prof Marvin Giles of this place, now teaching at Oxford, Grayson county, had to dismiss his school last week on account of measles.

There will be an entertainment at Sedalia, Tuesday night, Jan 26. Mrs Ollie Doyle, our Elocution teacher will recite for them.

Willie Chandler, one of the young preacher students, visited home folks Thursday.

BLUE RIDGE.

Mrs Reilla Pepper leaves today for her home in Douglas, Arizona. She has been visiting her father, J W St Clair.

Our school has increased until the trustees have had to enlarge the rooms and employ a fourth teacher.

Rev Wheeler, the Baptist County Missionary, was here Monday and preached Monday night to an attentive congregation.

Rev Miller and wife entertained the young people at their home Monday night in honor of their son, Willie, who left the next day for his home at Amarillo.

Mrs Elbert Williams visited at Womble last week.

Rev N N Harris late of Alabama is visiting the family of J C Copeland and will preach at the Baptist church while here.

Rev G B Airhart preached an excellent sermon Sunday at eleven and took up a collection for Buckner Orphan Home, which amounted to $60.

Rev Frances filled his appointment at Valdasta Sunday.

Mr Forbes is conducting a singing school at Climax.

Jack Thompson has been very sick with apendicitis but is better.

Mr and Mrs R M Scott visited at Merit last week.

Dr F M Smith and wife have moved to their home.

Dr Morrow is having a new office built.

Mallie Barnett went to Anna Saturday.

Mrs Roberts visited at Dallas last week.

Mrs Cantrell's little grand daughter, Jewel Crib of the Indian Territory, is here going to school.

ROSAMOND.

Rosamond, Jan 25.—Grandma Riffe is on the sick list.

J M Lindsey and wife visited in West Collin last week.

Lem Perkins has moved again. He has gone to the Territory this time.

Miss Maud Jennings visited in Grayson county last week.

Mrs Eva Gwin, who was sick at our last report, has recovered.

Several of our citizens held interviews with the grand jurors last week, but we are not informed as to the subjects discussed.

Our jovial mail carrier, S L Bradshaw, had to leave his mail wagon at home Saturday for the first time since he purchased it, about three months ago.

The young folks enjoyed a singing at J H Easton's last Sunday night.

Several of our people turned out and hunted the festive "cotton tail" Friday, and "Bunnie" suffered considerably thereby.

Snow balling was the order of the day at our school Friday, and even the teacher got his share.

VERONA.

Verona, Tex., Jan. 25.—James Anderson has been very sick for several weeks.

Mrs A E McMurray of Dallas visited relatives in our community last week.

E E McMurray is attending court at the county capital, being a grand jury man.

Mr and Mrs Doc Miller of Sulphur Springs have been the guests of E Miller and wife for several days.

Elbert Williams and family of Blue Ridge visited the family of James Womble.

Since our last writing the new bell has been placed on the Methodist church.

Our merchant, Mr. Fagala, was attending to business affairs in Dallas last week.

People in our midst are continuing to gather cotton bolls.

Jim Womble is having a very large barn built on his place.

A C Womble has returned from a visit to his brother at Little Rock, Arkansas.

Fred Mitchel and Mr. Hitchcock of Altoga were in Verona Sunday.

Mr and Mrs M L Stroup kave gone to housekeeping at their new home.

Mrs Homer and son, Bryan, have moved to Mrs Ada Womble's place.

Dr and Mrs W E Rucker of McKinney were in Verona one day last week.

The family of L Burton, who have all been sick with measles, are convalescing.

UNION.

Union, Tex., Jan. 25.—J P Seigler and family attended church at Farmersville Saturday and visited relatives.

Gee whiz, it is as cold as kraut of the sour variety, and the weather is like the daughters of Eve — somewhat fickle—consequently it is impossible to tell what it is going to do next. Then again, it has been like them very fine, O! just simply divine, and therefore we have no right to complain.

Miss Janie Self of Lone Oak is visiting her cousin, Miss Hattie Swindle of this place.

Miss Macy Barkley of Boggy is visiting the family of William Burleson in this vicinity.

Mike Seigler went to McKinney Sunday on business.

Henry Haynes and his "frau" visited Mr May and family Saturday.

Singing was light-weight Sunday at Bethlehem on account of the inclemency of the weather.

Rufe Murray and family visited Lon Bolton and wife of Free Grass. Miss Myrtle Surratt accompanied them.

Finnie Seigler went over to Lokey Sunday morning.

Mrs Beulah Watson has returned feom Lone Oak where she has been visiting for a few days.

CHAMBLISS.

Chambliss, Jan 25.—The farmers are all very well up with their plowing.

Luther Poteete of this place left a few days ago for Mississippi where he will make his future home.

The fifth Sunday meeting of the Baptist churches will convene at Stony Point next Saturday and Sunday.

A J Hartley and family have moved into their new home near Valdasta.

Miss Tillie Browning of California is visiting relatives here.

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JOHNSON.

Johnson, Tex., Jan. 25.—The snow and rains of last week were blessings to our farmers as wheat was suffering for moisture.

The little baby of Mr and Mrs Russell has been quite sick for the past ten days.

Some of our young people attended the big supper at Climax, and they say they had a jolly good time just as they always do.

Luther Mitchel of Stiff Chapel was in our community Sunday.

Jud Webb of Marietta, I T, who is representing Hill & Love, the marble men of Sherman, gave our community a general call and took several orders.

A blue-eyed little Miss is stopping with Mr and Mrs Charlie Chafin. Mother and daughter are doing well. The father is a little indisposed as it is another girl.

Mrs Sam McGee visited her daughter, Mrs Billie Smith, last week.

Mrs Carson is expecting her son, Frank, home after the 3rd of Feb. He has been away three years in the army.

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E C Barnett of Olney, Texas, sends cash for renewal of The Democrat and Dallas News subscription at our clubbing rate. He is living 25 miles northwest of Graham, Young county. He writes that Olney contains four dry goods and grocery stores, one drug store, one mill and gin, one blacksmith shop, barber shop, postoffice, and three churches. He writes in high terms of The Democrat.

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W C Fostor, of Anna, gave our office a pleasant call to get back numbers of The Pioneer Magazine.

D S Lasater and H F Evens gave our office a pleasant call. The former has been a valued reader of The Democrat for several years and the latter paid a dollar to enroll his name for a year in advance.

Capt W A Rhea's many friends will be glad to learn that he has almost recovered from his recent attack of lagrip which came upon him while out at his farm at Rhea Mills.

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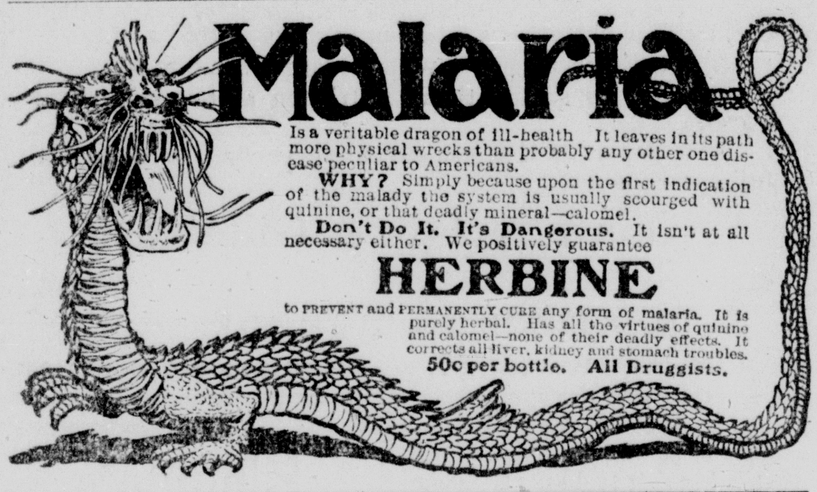

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FAVORS PANAMA TREATY

Takes Issue With Senators Bailey and Culberson.

LAW OF EMINENT DUMAIN

Transcontinental Railroads and Jingo Politicians Powerless to Obstruct.

To the News.

McKinney, Tex., Jan. 18.—I have watched with great interest The News' report of opinions of public and private men on the now pending Panama Canal treaty. It has been a wish of mine ever since I was a schoolboy and studied the geography of our Western Hemisphere to see the Isthmus of Panama made passable for ocean-going vessels. The horrible tales told by the returning forty-niners of the murders and robberies committed on the isthmus, both on the Nicaragua and Panama routes, made an impression on my mind when I was 10 years of age that will remain with me as long as I live

I regret that our Senators have taken a stand against the pending treaty providing for the canal, and beg to take issue with Senator Culberson upon his objection to the ratification of the treaty, one of which was that the Nicaragua route was the better, and that sailing vessels could not go through the Panama route, but could pass through the Nicaragua route. This is an assertion of his, and needs proof. Another was that the "Nicaragua route was far preferable from an engineering point, and that engineers had so pronounced" De Lesseps, after examining both routes, announced to the company then forming in Paris to construct a canal through the isthmus of Panama that the "Panama route was the most practicable and the only one of the two; that a tide-water passage could be made." His expert engineers will not deny that the Nicaragua Lake is at least 100 feet above high tide on the Pacific and more than that on the Atlantic.

Also upon moral grounds. I conceive this to be a business undertaking which half the world wants accomplished, and the favor shown by England, France, Germany and other nations proves this; for instance, England abrogating the Bulwer-Clayton treaty, in which she surrendered a right she was not bound to do.

Senators Culberson and Bailey chime in and announce the law of eminent domain as a kingly dogma, and seem to think it a stigma upon our representative government to invoke its aid. Has not each of the Senators prosecuted many a suit for individuals and corporations for right of way and taken the land without the consent of the owner?

It is a law of all matter, and mind that "the big eat up the little." All animate nature follows his law. Go where you may, in the water, on the earth and in the air, this is the universal law. Also inanimate nature follows the same, for we see the large heavenly bodies draw the little ones to them. Man is no exception. We may assume ourselves more righteous than they and scorn Russia for the dismemberment of Poland and England for whipping the Boers, but are we a whit better? We have taken from the Indians their lands and not even permitted them to live with us. Russia and England did better than that. We drove the Mexicans from Texas, and Henry Clay lost the Presidency by getting in the way of the procession.

The isthmian canal will be dug, and that at Panama, notwithstanding the opposition of transcontinental railroads and jingo politicians. I see Senator Bailey follows the same argument as does Senator Culberson in a defense of his position, except that he adds his "retirement from public life" racket. I have heard that before.

I am nearing the 64th milepost of life and would be willing to endure ten years more of this life to know that the commerce of the world was passing through the Isthmus of Panama.

T. B. WILSON.

This is the last week that you will have to pay your poll taxes.

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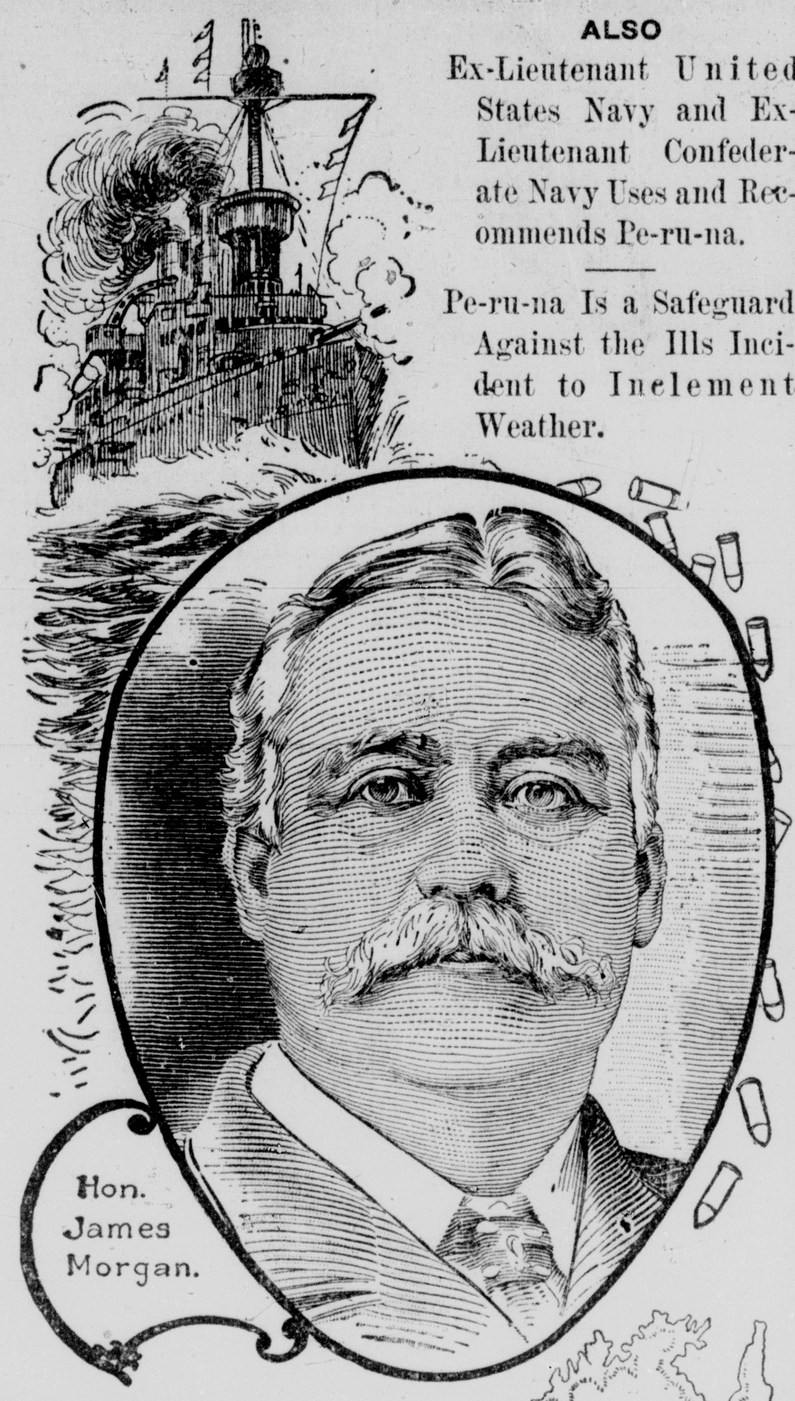

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Local Option Went Into Effect Wednesday Night.

ALL SALOONS WERE CLOSED

All Officers Promise a Strict Enforcement of the Prohibition Law.

Sherman, Tex., Jan. 22.—At midnight Wednesday night local option went into effect in Grayson county.

There were open saloons at only three points in the county—Sherman, Denison and Bells.

There were in all something like seventy-five saloons, and without a single exception they closed their doors promptly. Some of them closed before n night.

The city authorities at all these places say that there is indication of disobedience to law on the part of men who h been legitimately engaged in business.

The county attorney, she and chief of police of Shern and Denison say that the law be enforced.

The committee appointed l night to give the officers assi ance will likely hold their session today.

Poll Taxes at Sherman.

Sherman, Tex., Jan. 23.—Of a normal voting strength 3,000 only 974 have paid t poll tax at the city tax office Sherman. There are about exemptions, and it is not belie that more than 1,500 voters have the right of franchise the April election.

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